



# Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services

## **Medicaid Fee For Services (MFFS) Vs. Medicaid Managed Care Plan (MMCP) Enrollment**

- Some individuals covered by Medicaid may not be required to enroll in managed care plans; Medicaid FFS billing occurs until such time the individual is enrolled in a plan.
- Some individuals are new to Medicaid or are in the process of having Medicaid eligibility re-established. Such individuals may not yet be enrolled in a plan, and Medicaid FFS billing occurs until the individual is enrolled in a plan. In such instances:
  - Medicaid (MA) eligibility is established first.
  - Once Medicaid eligibility has been established, most Medicaid eligible individuals will be required to select / enroll in a MMCP unless the individual is exempt or excluded from Mandatory enrollment (e.g., Medicaid/Medicare dually eligible individuals).
  - Services delivered to Medicaid (MA) eligible individuals (who are required to enroll in a MMCP plan) are covered by FFS Medicaid until the MMCP plan enrollment is effectuated.
  - Individuals may select a plan upon initial eligibility determination or select a plan within 30 days of receipt of notice of mandatory enrollment. Individuals who do not select a plan will be auto assigned to a plan.
  - For individuals determined eligible for Medicaid and required to enroll in a MMCP, until MMCP enrollment is established providers will bill Medicaid FFS.
  - Once Enrolled in a MMCP, providers may not bill Medicaid FFS for plan covered services and MUST bill the MMCP.
  - Providers utilize either the state Medicaid Eligibility Verification System (MEVS) or ePaces to determine if someone is Medicaid FFS; or enrolled in a MMCP
  - Plan enrollment may change on a month to month basis. Providers are strongly advised to routinely review ePaces/MEVS to affirm if individual is still Medicaid FFS; enrolled in a MMCP; or has changed to a different MMCP.



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## **USING MEVS or EPACES to Determine if a Medicaid eligible individual is Medicaid FFS; or Enrolled in a MMCP**

- For further information regarding ePaces and MEVS; or to request on site provider training regarding how to use MEVS or EPACES, including how to read the eligibility and plan enrollment messages please see:
  - The MEVS manual  
<https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/AllProviders/supplemental.aspx>
  - Following is the link to how to read ePaces screens.  
[https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.emedny.org/HIPAA/QuickRefDocs/ePACES-Eligibility\\_Response.pdf&sa=U&ved=0CAUQFjAAahUKEwjWkeCt6uXIAhWDFx4KHR0EAqg&client=internal-uds-cse&usq=AFQjCNGGG3scCPSK0423os1iD-ul7NU86g](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.emedny.org/HIPAA/QuickRefDocs/ePACES-Eligibility_Response.pdf&sa=U&ved=0CAUQFjAAahUKEwjWkeCt6uXIAhWDFx4KHR0EAqg&client=internal-uds-cse&usq=AFQjCNGGG3scCPSK0423os1iD-ul7NU86g)
  - Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC) will also provide on-site provider training regarding how to: use MEVS; and read EPACES. Please call 1-800-343-900 to request such training.