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Insurance Cards



- Always ask patients for their <u>current</u> insurance card.
- Don't assume the information in GE/Advanced Web is correct.
- When updating insurance information, make a legible copy of:
 - Government Issued Photo I.D.
 - Insurance Card (front and back)

When looking at insurance cards look for these things:

- o Patient's name
- Name of the insurance
- o Is it an HMO or PPO?
- If it is an HMO
 - Who is the primary care physician and medical group
- o Member I.D. #, certificate #, subscriber #
- Effective date
- Co-pay amounts
- o Customer/Provider service phone numbers

HMO Health Maintenance Organization

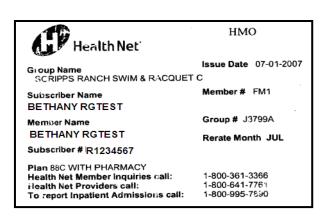
- Member must choose a Primary Care Physician (PCP). All medical care must be coordinated through the PCP.
- Patients are responsible for a co-payment to be collected by the PSR at the time of service. Some HMOs even have deductibles, which will be discussed in the PPO section.
- HMO insurance cards will have the PCP **and/or** the PMG listed on the insurance card.

Managing Outside HMOs

If the patient presents an HMO card with a different medical group:

- Verify eligibility to confirm the PMG or PCP
- If the PCP/PMG is not SRS, ask the patient if he or she has a written authorization from their PCP/PMG to be seen at SRS.
- Refer to Financial Comments/Registration Notes to verify if an authorization exists and what type of visit(s) are covered.
- Consult Support Services and/or site BSR for assistance.

What FSC is this? _____



You have selected the following physician group for your are. In order to be covered by Health Net, all medical and hospital service must be rendered or authorized by:

PCP: DR. PETER JOHNSON

AT SAN DIEGO PHYSICIAN'S MEDICAL GROUP (619) 405-8901

2201 JAMACHA RD

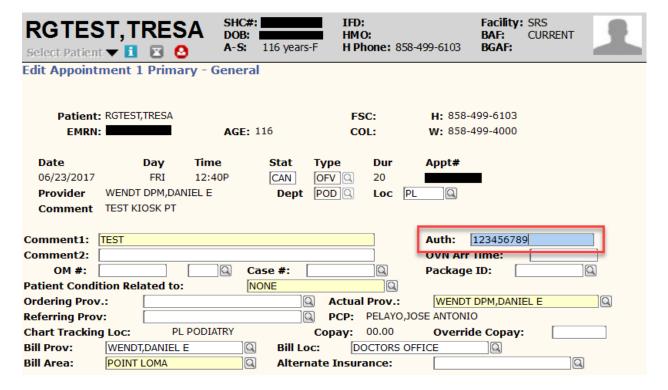
LA MESA CA 91942 3009 (619) 405-8901

Effective Date with PPG 07-01-05 PPG# 0T8

Office Copay \$20 E/R Copay \$100 Pharmacist: For assistance, call Pharmacy Help Line at 1-800-600-9180 Rx BIN#004336 Rx PCN 'HNET' Rx Caremark

Insurance Authorizations

- Authorizations contain an authorization number.
- The authorization number can be found on the Appointment Data Form in the Auth field.
- Check Financial Comments/Registration Notes for additional information, including date ranges, services covered, and/or authorization information.



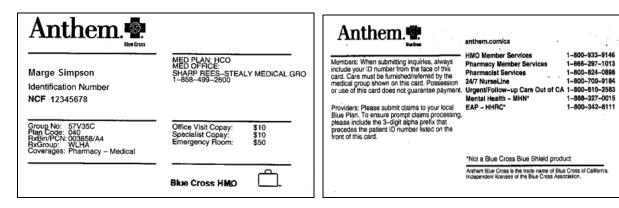
Outside HMOs with No Authorization



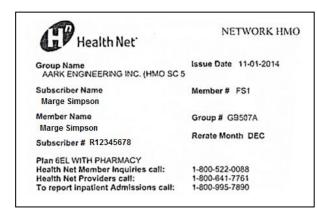
- 1. Patients who do not have a written authorization to be seen should not be checked-in.
- 2. Contact Support Services and/or site BSR.

Examples of HMO Insurance Cards

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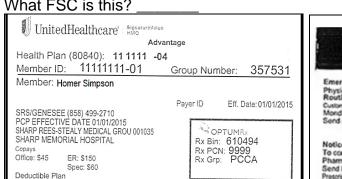


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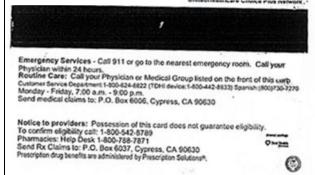
You have selected the following physician group for your care. In order to be covered by Health Net, all medical and hospital services must be rendered or authorized by: SHARP REES-STEALY MEDICAL GROUP (858) 499-2600 BASIL S ABRAMOWITZ 10243 Genetic Center Dr. SAN DIEGO CA 92121 6310 (858) 499-2600 Effective Date with PPG 11-01-14 PPG# 058 MinuteClinic Copay \$30 Office Copay \$50 E/R Copay \$300 Pharmacist: For assistance, call Pharmacy Help Line at 1-800-600-0180 Rx BIN#004336 Rx PCN 'HNET' Rx Caremark

What FSC is this?



SignatureValue HMO

Offered by UnitedHealthcare of California



PPO Preferred Provider Organization

A PPO offers members a greater choice when accessing providers. They do not have to select a PCP. They may go out of network but will pay larger costs in the form of higher deductibles, coinsurance rates, or non-discounted charges.

Patients with PPO usually have deductibles to pay before their health plan starts to cover any services. Most deductibles are per calendar year. The amount is a patient's responsibility and it's the same concept used by dental or auto insurance plans. The amount is set by the patient's health plan, depending on their benefits.

Benefits in Network:

- Benefits paid at a higher level
- The provider bills the insurance company directly
- The provider submits for pre-authorization for procedures, surgeries, etc.
- Lower deductible, copay, co-insurance, and out of pocket max if using In Network provider

How does Sharp Rees Stealy work with patients to manage their deductibles?

- If a patient has not met their deductible, we will request a **minimum deposit** of \$90 when the patient arrives and checks-in.
- Inform the patient that you can assist with managing the account: "Would you like to pay by cash or credit [...or personal check]?"
- Remind the patient that a deductible is a patient's responsibility

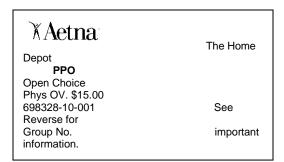
What if a patient cannot pay?

- Try and collect a portion of the deposit/unmet deductible by asking the patient how much they can pay today
- Document in Registration Notes
- Your operations manager and/or support service staff are available to assist

Refer all Blue Shield, Cigna, Health Net, and United Healthcare PPOs to your support services and/or site BSR.

Examples of PPO Insurance Cards

What FSC is this?



To receive the maximum benefits:

-Use the Aetna Health Plans Open Choice Providers listed in the

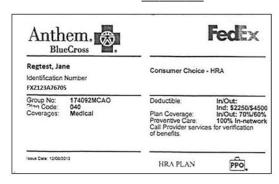
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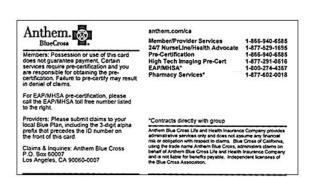
-Present this card when you visit a Health Care Provider: it

identifies you as an Aetna Health Plans Open Choice Member.

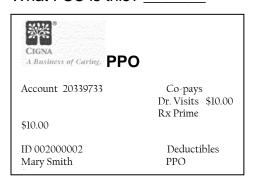
Your benefit booklet describes the services that require precertification. For you or your physician to obtain precertification for these services, call

What FSC is this? _____





What FSC is this?



Connecticut General Life Ins. Co. Hartford, CT 06152

This card must be presented each time services are requested. Possession of the card DOES NOT CERTIFY ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS. Bearer must satisfy all terms and conditions.

HOSPITAL ADMISSION: You or your doctor must call the toll-free number listed below prior to any hospital admission. In case of emergency, you or your family or your doctor must call within 24 hours of admission.

What FSC is this? _____

We don't participate with this plan



This card does not guarantee coverage. To verify benefits, view claims, or find a provider, visit the websites or call.

For Members: qualcommpremierplans.com 844-884-7266 800-861-8417

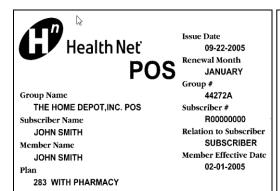
For Providers: myuhc.com 877-842-3210 Medical Claims: PO Box 30555, Salt Lake City UT 84130-0555 Call 858-678-8205 PRIOR to admission for possible transfer to Scripps Indicated Indicated Providers of the Company of the Compan

POS Point of Service

Point of Service (POS) is an HMO/PPO option, which allows the member flexibility in choosing medical care. There are three different coverage options with POS:

- HMO: The member chooses a Primary Care Physician (PCP) to be listed on the insurance card. If SRSMG is listed as the Primary Medical Group (PMG), the patient is treated as an HMO member.
- PPO: The member can self-refer to a physician outside of the PMG. If the
 outside physician is a contracted provider with the insurance, the benefits will be
 paid on a PPO basis.
- Out-of-Network: The member may utilize a physician who is not in the PMG and is not a contracted provider of the insurance. These members are considered "Out of Network". Patient will be responsible for a higher out of pocket cost.

What FSC is this? _____



For maximum plan benefits, consult your Health Net PMG or IPA below.

Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group #058 (800) 377-4277 2001 Fourth Avenue San Diego, CA 92101-2393 PRV/IPA Effective: 12-01-96

To submit claims or obtain eligibility and coverage information, please contact:

Health Net ELECT

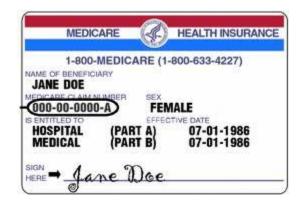
Medicare

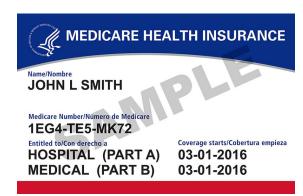
A person qualifies for Medicare after applying and meeting the following requirements:

- At least 65 years of age.
- Dependent minor of a Medicare recipient.
- Disabled for more than two years.
- On renal dialysis for more than two years.
- Members do not pay for part A (Hospital Insurance)
- Members pay for part B (Medical Coverage)
- Members have a deductible per year for Part B medical coverage. In order for patient to be seen at SRS, they need to have Part B.
- SRS bills Medicare directly for the member's services and Medicare will reimburse 80% of the allowed charge after the deductible has been met. The patient is responsible for 20%.

NOTE: Medicare does not cover dental care, hearing aids, custodial care, private duty nursing, long term nursing care, take home drugs from an inpatient stay, cosmetic surgery and any treatment not medically necessary.

What FSC is this? _____





Medicare HMO - Part C Medicare Advantage Plan (MAP) (Replacement policy)

Medicare patients have an option to sign their Medicare coverage over to a Medicare HMO such as United Healthcare, Health Net Seniority, or Sharp Health Plan. The coverage for Medicare HMOs is similar to a regular HMO:

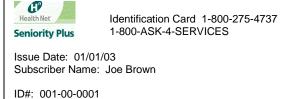
- Member must choose a Primary Care Physician (PCP). All medical care must be coordinated through the PCP.
- SRS does not accept new MAP insurances, other than the ones below:

What FSC is this?





What FSC is this?



Group #: 0084A

Plan: 5B

OFV Co-payment: \$15.00 ER Co-payment: \$50.00

What FSC is this? _____

You have selected the following medical group to care for you. Neither Medicare nor Health Net will cover care unless the medical and/or hospital services (except for emergencies or out-of-area urgent care) are rendered or authorized by:

Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group

2001 Fourth Avenue San Diego, CA 92101

Phone #: (858) 499-2600





Tricare



TriCare patients need to be informed that we are not contracted and they will access their out of network benefits if care is provided at SRS.

For access to in-network benefits, patients should be directed to Balboa Naval Medical Center or another Tricare-accepting provider.

TriCare Prime patients cannot be seen at Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Centers.

TriCare Standard/Select patients need to be aware of the higher out of pocket expense for them.

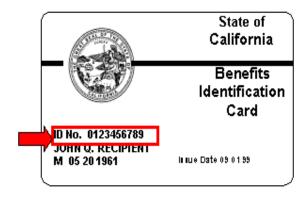
Tricare For Life offers secondary coverage to Medicare for all TRICARE beneficiaries who have both Medicare Parts A and B.

Medi-Cal

Medi-Cal is a state program established by the California Department of Health Services for residents of California who meet limited income and residency requirements. Medi-Cal coverage is determined by the patient's individual circumstances. There are three types of Medi-Cal coverage:

- Share of Cost (SOC) Medi-Cal: Patients have an out of pocket expense that the family must pay prior to becoming fully eligible for benefits. This is a monthly share of cost.
- Restricted Medi-Cal: Full Medi-Cal coverage only on certain services (for example, pregnancy related services).
- Full Medi-Cal: The patient is not financially responsible for covered services. There
 are many procedures that require a Treatment Authorization Request (TAR) before
 the procedure can be performed.

What FSC is this? _____





SRS Policy on accepting Medi-Cal Patients

Medi-Cal Insurance is accepted by SRS.

 See policy and procedure 15600 for the most current Medi-Cal acceptance policy for SRS

http://sharpnet.sharp.com/webdocs/documents/policies/approved/15600.doc

 If questioning acceptance for new Medi-Cal patients, see your lead or site BSR.

Notes:

- New patients who register as self-pay and later present Medi-Cal coverage when billed will not be considered established SRS patients.
- Urgent care visits and specialty referrals from SRSMG physicians or outside providers do not establish a patient with SRS.
- New Physicians with existing Medi-Cal practices must get approval from the SRS Medical Director and Administrator before continuance of treatment.

Front Desk Procedures

At the time of the patient's visit:

- Ask for the patient's Benefit Identification Card (BIC). Request the patient's driver's license to check identification.
- · Verify insurance online at every visit.
- Make one copy of the BIC card and file copy in patient's chart. (If not already in chart.)
- For downtime procedures, call to verify coverage using the AEVS coverage sheet.
- Attach the completed AEVS coverage sheet to the charge ticket.

Medi-Cal Automatic Eligibility Verification System (AEVS) *** Coverage Sheet – DOWNTIME USE ONLY ***

Phone Number Restrictions	1-800-456-2387 AEVS verifies a recipient's eligibility for the current and/or prior 12 months.
Patient Name: _	
*Recipient Name: _	
*Medi-Cal ID#:	
*DOB:	
Date/Month: _ Of Service	
County Code: _	Aid Code(s):
Message(s):	
Share of Cost (if any	y): \$
Medicare Coverage:	Part A Part B HIC#:
+Pre-Paid Health Pla	an (PHP) info:
=Other Health Insur =OHI Scope of Cove	ance Coverage info:erage (Circle which apply): V P L O I M COMPREHENSIVE
Eligibility Verification	on Confirmation Number:

Notes:

^{*} For billing services to an infant for the month of birth and month after, enter the mother's information, unless infant has his/her own Medi-Cal ID#.

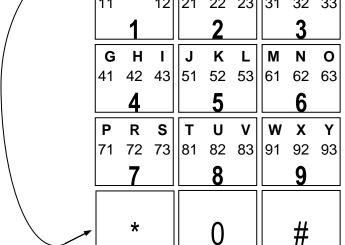
^{*} Patient belongs to a Medi-Cal HMO (e.g., Sharp Advantage, Community Health Group); Contact the PHP of PMG/PCP information.

^{*} If the service being provided is included in the scope of coverage for the OHI and if the OHI is a HMO where the member belongs to an outside medical group (Kaiser, UCSD), the patient should not be seen unless a referral/authorization has been issued.

List of Alphabetic Codes The alphabetic code listing for AEVS is as follows:

<u>LETTER</u>	2-DIGIT CODE	<u>LETTER</u>	2-DIGIT CODE
Α	* 21	Ν	* 62
В	* 22	0	* 63
С	* 23	Р	* 71
D	* 31	Q	* 11
Е	* 32	R	* 72
F	* 33	S	* 73
G	* 41	T	* 81
Н	* 42	U	* 82
	* 43	V	* 83
J	* 51	W	* 91
K	* 52	X	* 92
L	* 53	Υ	* 93
M	* 61	Z	* 12

Alphabetic Code Listing



AEVS: 1-800-456-AEVS

Function Keys

Keys
Purpose

[#]
End data entry in a field; proceed to next field
[* #]
Repeat the menu option
[* *]
Delete the current data entry in a field
[* 99 #]
Return to the main menu

SRS #: 9267113

Notice of Non-Coverage (NNC)



A Notice of Non-Coverage (NNC) is a document used to notify a patient (other than a Medicare patient) that their insurance may not pay for some or all of the tests ordered or services performed. The non-coverage may be a result of a non-covered benefit with the patient's insurance plan or services that are not considered reasonable and necessary by the patient's insurance plan.

If denial for payment of a test/service is known or likely, advise the patient before services are furnished that, according to their insurance guidelines, they will be personally and fully responsible for payment.

Reasons for Filling out an NNC:

- The test/service is experimental in nature and approved for investigational use only.
- The test/service provided may not meet medical necessity requirements according to the health plan's guidelines.
- The test/service is subject to frequency limitations and the test/service to be provided may exceed that limit.
- Patients choose to be self-pay. The patient has insurance but does not want to use
 it.

Criteria Documentation:

- The NNC must indicate the specific test/service that is to be provided.
- The NNC must indicate the estimated cost of the test/service that is known or likely to be denied.

The NNC will be signed by the patient or his/her authorized representative prior to the receipt of the test/service. Should the patient choose not to have the test/service, the form will be marked accordingly.



atient's Name EMRN#			
NOTICE OF NON-COVERAGE (NNC) In consideration for service(s) provided, the undersigned agrees, whether they sign as patient, custodian, guardian, conservator or agent, to pay the charges as outlined below following any necessary discussion with his or her provider. The following services are generally not covered by plans and insurance companies and, therefore, will not be paid by the insurer or plan:			
Test / S	ervice to be provided:		
□ Botox □ Cosmetic Procedure (specify): □ Durable Medical Equipment □ Forms □ Infertility - testing & treatment related to	 □ Laser Eye Surgery □ Mole Removal □ Prolotherapy □ PRP (Platelet Rich Plasma) □ Skin Tag Removal 	□ Vaccines: □ Gardasil □ Tdap (Adacel) □ Travel □ Zoster □ Other:	
□ IUD	□ Other:		
□ Laser			
The estimated range for the Test/Service is between \$ and \$ Please initial:			
I understand that the estimated fees listed may not include all related services (laboratory or x-ray) that may be necessary to complete my treatment.			
I have read and understand the above notice and understand that my insurance may not cover the test/service.			
I agree to be financially responsible and pay for the test/service as an out of pocket expense.			
Only initial if it applies:			
I have read and understand the above notice and have decided not to receive these tests/services.			
□ Self-pay: I understand that I am opting out of using my insurance benefits so that I can be self-pay for this service.			
I acknowledge and agree that I am responsible for payment of these services.			
Signature of patient, custodian, guardian, conservator or agent			
Relationship to Patient: This signed document is to be	Witness/user	ID: al Record.	

Restriction on Use of PHI

SHARP REQUEST FOR RESTRICTION ON USE OR DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

Date:	Patient Name:			
	(LAS	π)	(FIRST)	(M.I.)
Address:				
Telephone:				
Date of Birth:				
I understand that Sharp Health the purposes of treatment, payn information to someone involved	nent and health care op	erations. Sharp He	ealthCare m	ay also disclose
I hereby request a restriction or Sharp HealthCare does not have				
I want to limit:				
 □ Sharp HealthCare's use of □ Sharp HealthCare's disclosure □ Both the use and the disc 	osure of this informatio			
I want to restrict disclosure of m	y PHI because:			
I paid for a service or heaOther	•	cket in full		
I want the limits to apply to the fo	ollowing person/entity (for example: a spou	use, insuran	ce company):
	(Full name and	address)		
The information that I want restr	icted is:			
□ Treatment Notes□ Emergency Dept. Reports□ Other		eports /Operative Notes		oratory Tests g Information
Date:				
	Signature of I	Patient or Legal Rep	oresentative	
If Legal Representative, state re	lationship:			
Date:	_			
	Signature of	Nitness		
	*** FOR INTERNAL (
Provid	e a copy of this form to	patient upon reques	st.	

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Co-Pay Quick Reference Grid

Primary FSC	Secondary FSC	Co-pay Due?
HMO	HMO	NO
HMO	MM2	NO
HMO	OHM *	YES
НМО	PPO	NO
HMO/PPO/MED/MML	MC2	NO
		(unless pt. has Share of Cost)
MED/MML/HSH/SHD/HSMA	NMC2	NO
		(unless pt. has Share of Cost)
HMO/PPO	NMC2*	YES
MED	HMO	NO
MED	CIM/SIM	NO
PPO	MM2	NO
PPO	PPO	NO
PPO	НМО	NO
OHM *	НМО	YES
OHM	PPO ¹	YES (PPO)
HMO/PPO	Tricare ‡	NO

^{* =} Please DO **NOT** ENTER INTO BAR.

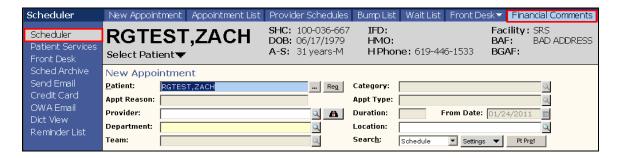
¹ = Please make sure patient understands they will be billed appropriately for deductible and co-insurance amounts.

[‡] = Normally with non-contracted providers, YES you do take a co-pay. However, since Tricare coordinates benefits, this is an exception and NO need to take a co-pay.

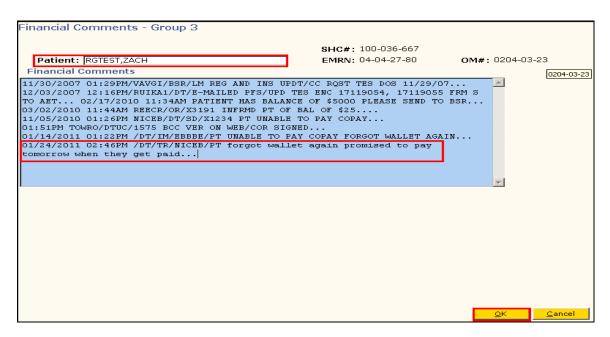
Financial Comments

Financial Comments will no longer be used to document accounts, except in those accounts that have **no future or historical visits listed**, and then financial comments will need to be entered. All notes will now be entered as Registration Notes. You can still view financial comments as instructed below.

1. To access comments, select the tab "Financial Comments," key in the letter <R> and <Tab> at the *Patient*: field to recall the patient you have been working on or enter the patient's name utilizing one of the standard naming conventions and then click on the *OK* button.



Click Financial Comments



2. If the patient has multiple Financial Comments, it may be necessary to use the <page Down> key or the down arrow $< \mathfrak{D}$ > key to reach the end of the last comment.

Adding a New Registration Note

Whenever registration notes are entered, your user initials, date, and time are entered automatically. Once a note has been entered and saved, the note will remain permanently in the patient's account.

If an account note has been entered into the wrong account, a new note must be entered stating the line # of the incorrect note and the account # or visit # where that note should have been documented.

1. Upon entering action code "NE", the visit list screen may display.

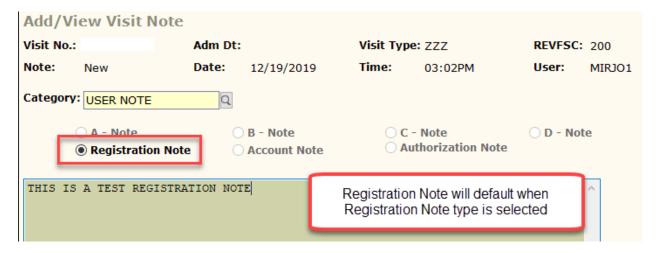


- 2. Choose the appropriate visit and then select the button (or ALT "O")
- 3. Select the **New** button and choose the appropriate Note Type:
 - Registration Note

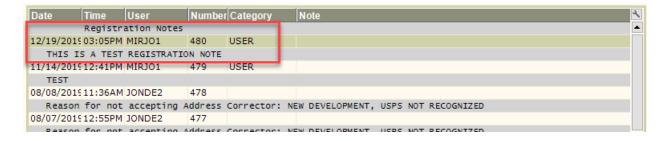


An Add/View Registration Note Screen will display

- 5. In the Category: box, select "user note" and then click in the text box
- 6. In the text box, enter an applicable note
 - Do not enter the date, time and your username
 - i. The system automatically stamps this information



- 7. Click the button (or ALT "O") to save.
 - If a new registration note was accessed in error, click the Cancel button
- 8. The new registration note will be seen immediately.
 - Date and Time
 - User and line number (A-7 seen below)
 - Note* that the category "user" is also displayed



Things to Remember When Entering Registration Notes

- ❖ Keep it professional. Do not enter any opinions, or derogatory comments.
- It's a legal document and can be subpoenaed.
- You can abbreviate-- as long as words are easily understandable and distinguishable.

When to Enter Registration Notes

➤ When verifying a patients insurance eligibility.

Ex: Pt on 7day out rport. Vrfd HCC ins cov. Pt elig w/SRS per web.

-or-

Ex: Pt on 7day out rport. Cld AET,spk w/John.Vrfd elig for May.

When a co-pay is due and wasn't collected.

Ex: Pt cldnt pay co-pay for tdy DOS,Dr Smith.Pt 4got wallet.No BSR avlbl,fld out BCF.

Why a patient didn't sign a C.O.R.

Ex: Gave COR to pt. didnt sign and rtrn.

Glossary

Co-insurance: An arrangement under which the member pays a fixed percentage of the cost of medical care. For example, an insurance plan might pay 80% of the allowable charge, with the member responsible for the remaining 20%, which is then referred to as the coinsurance amount.

Co-payments: A Co-payment, or co-pay, is the insured's portion of a medical expense that is due whenever specific services are provided. On some insurance cards you will see the co-payment amount listed. Co-payments are due every time the applicable service is provided.

Deductible: A deductible is that portion of an insured's health care expenses that must be paid out of pocket before any insurance coverage applies. Deductibles are common with PPO's; they are becoming more common with HMO's even. At SRS, if a patient has not met their deductible, we will request a **minimum deposit of \$90** when the patient arrives and checks-in.

Fee-for-Service: Reimbursement is made on each itemized medical service covered under the plan. Payment is made to the insured or the provider of the medical service. PPO plans often operate based on a negotiated (fixed) schedule of fees that recognize charges for covered services up to a negotiated fixed dollar amount.

HMO- Health Maintenance Organization: A patient with an HMO plan must choose a primary care provider. All medical care must be coordinated through the PCP. A health care system assumes both the financial risks associated with providing comprehensive medical services (insurance and service risk) and the responsibility for health care delivery in a particular geographic area, in return for a fixed/prepaid fee (i.e., capitation).

Patient Responsibility: Co-payments and unmet deductibles are the responsibility of the patient and are due at time of service.

POS- Point of Service: Point of Service is an HMO/PPO "hybrid" option which allows the member flexibility in choosing medical care. There are different tiers to this type of plan: HMO (i.e., the member chooses a primary care physician); and then services received outside of the HMO and/or out of network which are reimbursed in a manner similar to other indemnity or fee-for-service plans.

PPO- Preferred Provider Organization: An indemnity type of plan that offers members a choice of accessing a preferred provider. Enrollees may go outside the network but will pay larger costs in the form of higher deductibles, higher coinsurance rates, or non-discounted charges from the providers. Members do not have to select a PCP.

Primary Care Physician (PCP): A physician who serves as a member's primary contact within the health plan and provides basic medical services, coordinates care, and authorizes referrals to specialists or hospitals.