FHCP Medical Oncology Program

Program Overview

About the FHCP Medical Oncology Program

The FCHP Medical Oncology Program

Carelon Medical Benefits Management and Florida Health Care Plan (FHCP) recognize the key role that medical oncology practices play in the delivery of quality cancer care. Together, we are implementing the FHCP Medical Oncology Program – a value-based program to help you improve outcomes while managing the cost of cancer care.

How does the program benefit my practice?

The program supports oncology practices in significant ways:

- Synchronization with health plan medical policy
 - All prescribed regimen are reviewed in real time for benefit coverage under FHCP medical policy.
- Increased efficiency
 - Practices participating in the FHCP Medical Oncology Program can gain efficiency through 24/7 online access to the Carelon *ProviderPortal*_{sm}, a proven technology platform to process your requests for regimen reviews in real time. Or, you may call our contact center to initiate a review.
- Actionable information

When your practice prescribes a cancer treatment regimen for a patient covered by FHCP and submits it to Carelon for review, the prescribed regimen is compared against a comprehensive database of current, evidence-based Carelon Cancer Treatment Pathways (Pathways). If the planned regimen is not aligned with a Carelon Pathway, information on evidence- based alternatives may be presented for your review.

Carelon Cancer Treatment Pathways

Pathways are developed using a rigorous review of professional consensus guidelines and published clinical data. When evaluating a regimen's clinical merits, Carelon oncologists consider:

- · Clinical benefits (efficacy)
- Side effects/toxicity particularly side effects impacting quality of life or commonly leading to hospitalizations
- Strength of consensus guidelines

Lastly, the cost of clinically comparable treatment options may be considered when determining which regimens are designated as Carelon Cancer Treatment Pathways.

Standards of oncologic care evolve rapidly. To keep pace, Carelon Cancer Treatment Pathways are reviewed at least quarterly – more often when warranted by new drug approvals, new clinical data, or changes in consensus guidelines.

All Carelon Pathways and Pathway updates are vetted by a panel of practicing community and academic oncologists from the country's leading cancer care institutions before they are adopted as part of the FHCP Medical Oncology Program.

Putting your patients first

We recognize that every patient is unique. While efforts have been made to identify Pathways that offer the best treatment options for most patients, a treating oncologist may decide that another regimen is best for an individual patient. Whether a Carelon Cancer Treatment Pathway or an alternate regimen is chosen, the FHCP Medical Oncology Program supports all regimens that meet the clinical review criteria under FHCP medical policies.

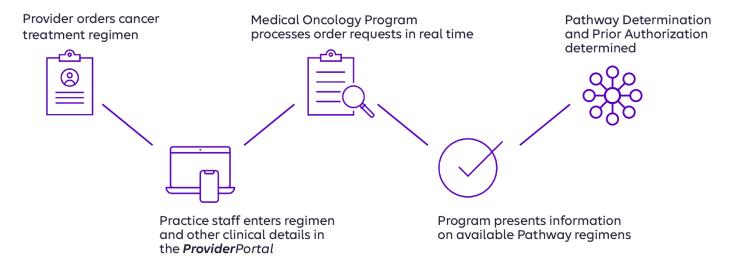
Your role in participation

The FHCP Medical Oncology Program is administered by Carelon. Carelon collaborates with payers to help improve health care quality and manage costs for some of today's most complex tests and treatments.

The first step in participating is to register as a *ProviderPortal* user. The online tool is available at www.providerportal.com. Using *ProviderPortal*, you can initiate the review of a cancer treatment regimen for a patient who is covered by a participating health plan. We call this the "order request" process.

Using *ProviderPortal*, you can:

- Submit a new order request. Requests that meet the clinical review criteria under FHCP medical policies will be approved in real time.
- Access Carelon Cancer Treatment Pathway regimens aligned with your patient's clinical information.
- Check on the status of an order request.
- Update an existing request.
- Retrieve an order summary.



Getting your practice ready

Our dedicated program website offers you all the tools and information you need to get started. Just visit here.

