

Provider Alert



Effective April 1, 2022, CMS has reinstituted sequestration reductions to claims payments for Medicare enrollees in accordance with The Protecting Medicare and American Farmers from Sequester Cuts Act. This announcement comes after a previous temporary suspension of sequestration that was made effective May 1, 2020, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The reinstitution of sequestration will occur as follows:

- 1% reduction will be applied to claims billed with dates of service April 1, 2022, through June 30, 2022
- 2% reduction will be applied to claims billed with dates of service July 1, 2022, onward

Healthfirst will therefore be restoring the sequestration reductions, in accordance with these timeframes.

If you have any questions or need any additional information regarding this update, please reach out to your Network Account Manager, or call Provider Services at 1-888-801-1660, Monday to Friday, 8:30am-5:30pm.