PATIENT LIABILITY & MEDICAID BUY-IN for WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES

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What Is Patient Liability?


It is the amount the individual is required to contribute (pay) each month for Medicaid Services in order to maintain Medicaid eligibility.
The amount of the patient liability is determined by the Department of Job and Family Services (JFS). It is calculated based on a formula that considers the individuals available resources, such as income * and assets.

Income minus Deductions = Patient Liability

*Some types of income are excluded. Contact CDJFS for a list of excluded types of income.
How often is PL Determined?

- PL is determined at least once per year in connection with the individuals annual Medicaid redetermination.

- If an individuals resources change during the course of the year, they are required to report the changes to JFS so that his/her PL can be recalculated.
PATIENT LIABILITY

How do I know if someone has a PL and who is responsible for paying PL?

- The County Board of Developmental Disabilities is responsible for sharing Patient Liability information with providers.

- The County Board is notified by the Ohio DoDD if an individual has been assigned a Patient Liability. The County Board then determines which provider is responsible for deducting the amount of the Patient Liability from their billing for that month. The provider is responsible for collecting the Patient Liability amount from the individual.

- The Ohio DoDD reviews all Patient Liability claims on a regular basis. If the appropriate amounts have not been deducted, DoDD will deduct all past due Patient Liability amounts from current claims.
Who do I contact if I have questions about Patient Liability?

- Questions regarding how to submit claims for individuals with PL should be directed to Provider Support:
  Phone: (800)617-6733
  E-mail: Provider.Support@list.dodd.ohio.gov

- Questions regarding the monthly update of PL reports, or claims adjustments to recoup/refund PL should be addressed to Jessica McGonigle:
  Phone: (614)728-0185 (option 5)
  E-mail: Jessica.McGonigle@dodd.ohio.gov

- Questions regarding notification of PL should be directed to Lori Chick
  Phone: (216) 736-8363
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- Questions related to the calculation of the amount of PL for an individual should be directed to the County Jobs and Family Services (JFS) caseworker.
What is MBIWD?

- MBIWD is an Ohio Medicaid program that was created to encourage Ohioans with disabilities to work and still keep their Medicaid coverage.
Who is eligible for MBIWD?

To qualify for MBIWD, a person must:

- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be a resident of Ohio
- Be 16-64 years of age
- Have a disability
- Be employed in paid work (full or part time)
- Pay a premium (if applicable)
- Meet certain financial criteria (resources cannot exceed $10,580*)

* This resource limit is subject to change
FAQ’s

Q. How do you apply for MBIWD?
A. Your JFS caseworker or CCBDD Medicaid Liaison can assist with applying for MBIWD.

Q. Does the CB notify providers about MBIWD premiums?
A. No. Invoices for MBIWD premiums are mailed directly to the consumer or to the address listed on the application. A provider may list their address on the application if they want to receive MBIWD statements for a consumer.
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Q. Can MBIWD premiums be deducted from billing claims like PL?
A. No. MBIWD premiums must be paid directly to ODJFS. This amount cannot be deducted from billing claims.

Q. Does the consumer still have to pay a PL?
A. No. There is no PL for MBIWD consumers although the report from DoDD may still show an amount in the PL column (see example).
Who do I contact if I have questions about MBIWD?

- Questions regarding apply for MBIWD should be directed to the JFS caseworker or CCBDD Medicaid Liaison

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- Questions regarding calculation of premiums and financial eligibility criteria should be directed to the JFS caseworker.