

PROVIDER ALERT

Subject: First Provider Payments of 2025 and Payspan Registration

Issued: December 19, 2024

Target Audience: All Behavioral Health Providers

As the new Administrative Services Organization (ASO) for Maryland's Public Behavioral Health System, Carelon Behavioral Health of Maryland (Carelon) will conduct its first check run on **January 6, 2025**.

Carelon will issue the initial payment as a **mailed**, **paper check**. Please note arrival times by mail may vary. For Medicaid providers, Carelon uses the "pay to" information from the provider file in MMIS. Providers are responsible for ensuring their address is current in that system as these are the files used by Carelon to mail checks and communicate other important information. Click the <u>ePREP</u> hyperlink to verify your address.

To receive payments electronically after your first paper check, providers will need to register with Carelon in the <u>Payspan portal</u>. Providers will still have access to the Payspan portal using their current Optum credentials and can add Carelon to their existing account. Providers will not receive the PIN and registration code until they have their first set of claims processed and paid with a paper check.

Why do I need to register again?

• Although both Optum and Carelon use Payspan as their source for provider payments, accounts are set up to be vendor-specific. This new registration is necessary for providers to be paid under the new ASO (Carelon).

Please refer to the step-by-step instructions on the following pages for how to add Carelon to your existing account. Providers will be required to input their Provider Identification Number (PIN), Tax Identification Number (TIN), and Carelon vendor code (referred to as a "registration code" by Payspan).

Where can I find my codes?

• Providers will receive Carelon's vendor code (registration code) and PIN on the remittance advice associated with their first check. Existing provider TINs supplied by the IRS do not change.

Please note: PINs are not the same as NPI and Carelon ID numbers.

If providers have any questions about information contained in this alert, please email <u>MDHtransitionsupport@carelon.com</u>.

Thank you,

Carelon Behavioral Health Team

How to Add Carelon's Registration Code to Your Existing Payspan Account

Step 1: Go to <u>payspanhealth.com</u> and log into your Payspan account.

Step 2: Click on Your Payments

Step 3: Under the Manage Panel, click on Reg Codes.

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Step 4: Once on the Manage Reg Code page, click on Add New Reg Code (Upper right corner)

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Step 5: Under Add Registration Code, input the following:

- Carelon vendor (registration) code
- PIN
- TIN

Step 6: Click Start Registration

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Step 7: Select your existing account by clicking on the drop-down menu.

Step 8: Agree to the Services Agreement

Step 9: Click Confirm