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Letter from the Editor

COVID-19 Advancing Conversations on Health Insurance

Dear Readers,

Welcome to our weekly MyHealthGuide Newsletter. Each week we will feature a new edition of our Newsletter that will contain the latest news, events, and opinions in the healthcare industry. We hope you will find this Newsletter informative and helpful. We welcome your feedback and suggestions for topics.

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PLACER Healthcare Systems Announces Medicare Section 1115 Reporting Now Available for Title XIX Providers

MyHealthGuide Business PLACER Healthcare Systems, 2020/06/30

Medicare 1115 - PLACER Healthcare Systems, a leading healthcare payer technology company and provider of Medicare 1115 reporting services, announces that Medicare 1115 reporting is now available for Section 1115 reporting for entry into a Medicare within the Quantum Choice Medicare 1115.

randomized clinical trial conducted at 20 public hospitals and a COVID-19 quarantine center in Malaysia between May 31 and October 25, 2021. Within the first week of patients' symptom onset, the study enrolled patients 50 years and older with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19, comorbidities, and mild to moderate disease.

Patients were randomized in a 1:1 ratio to receive either oral ivermectin, 0.4 mg/kg body weight daily for 5 days, plus standard of care (n=241) or standard of care alone (n=249). The standard of care consisted of symptomatic therapy and monitoring for signs of early deterioration based on clinical findings, laboratory test results, and chest imaging.

The primary outcome was the proportion of patients who progressed to severe disease, defined as the hypoxic stage requiring supplemental oxygen to maintain pulse oximetry oxygen saturation of 95% or higher. Secondary outcomes of the trial included the rates of mechanical ventilation, intensive care unit admission, 28-day in-hospital mortality, and adverse events.

Study findings

- Among 490 patients included in the primary analysis (mean [SD] age, 62.5 [8.7] years; 267 women [54.5%]), 52 of 241 patients (21.6%) in the ivermectin group and 43 of 249 patients (17.3%) in the control group progressed to severe disease (relative risk [RR], 1.25; 95% CI, 0.87-1.80; P = .25).
- For all prespecified secondary outcomes, there were no significant differences between groups.
    - Mechanical ventilation occurred in 4 (1.7%) vs 10 (4.0%) (RR, 0.41; 95% CI, 0.13-1.30; P = .17),
    - intensive care unit admission in 6 (2.4%) vs 8 (3.2%) (RR, 0.78; 95% CI, 0.27-2.20; P = .79), and
    - 28-day in-hospital death in 3 (1.2%) vs 10 (4.0%) (RR, 0.31; 95% CI, 0.09-1.11; P = .09).
- The most common adverse event reported was diarrhea (14 [5.8%] in the ivermectin group and 4 [1.6%] in the control group).

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Recurring Resources

Medical Stop-Loss Providers Ranked by 2020 Annual Premium - Over $25.6 Billion

Source: MyHealthGuide, 9/18/2021

The *Medical Stop-Loss Provider Ranking* has been updated based on 2020 Annual Premium. In addition, Rankings from prior years are incorporated into a single table. Click below to view full listing with premium: *The Medical Stop-Loss Provider Ranking*.

View full listing of stop loss carriers

- The top 89 stop loss providers are ranked.
- The *Medical Stop-Loss Provider Ranking* table data reflect Direct Earned Premium from the "Accident and Health Policy Experience Exhibit" ("Supplemental Pages, Insurance Expense Exhibit" section) of publicly available Statutory Reports filed annually by each insurance carrier.

Stop Loss Premium Growth

Stop Loss premium based on 2020 annual premium is $25,645,704 (thousands), a 69% over 2016 annual premium of $15,004,224 (thousands) for a compounded annual rate of 14.0%. Stop Loss premium totals by year:

- 2020 - $25,645,704 (thousands)
- 2019 - $23,588,932
- 2018 - $19,849,233
- 2017 - $16,451,079
- 2016 - $15,004,224

Top 10 and 20 Percent of Total 2020 Market

- Top 10 stop loss providers ($17.3 Billion) compose 67.4 % of the total market ($25.6 Billion)
- Top 20 stop loss providers ($21.5 Billion) compose 83.8 % of the total market ($25.6 Billion)

Top 20 and Ranking Changes

The top 20 stop loss providers based on 2020 annual premium:

1. Cigna
2. UnitedHealth Group
3. Sun Life Financial
4. CVS Health Corp
5. Anthem
6. Tokio Marine HCC
7. HCSC
8. Voya Financial Inc.
9. Symetra
10. HM Insurance
11. Humana
12. Companion Life/Blue Cross Blue Shield of SC
13. Swiss Re
14. QBE
15. Fairfax Financial (CF Ins)
16. Western & Southern Financial
17. W. R. Berkley Corp.
18. Blue Cross Blue Shield of MI
19. Allstate Corp (acquired National General 1/2021)
20. Nationwide

In the new 2020 ranking compared to 2019, there were

- 14 providers that did not change their ranking position,
- 55 providers moved up in the ranking,
- 20 providers moved down in the ranking,
- 12 providers are new the ranking, and
- 3 providers dropped out of the ranking.

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Upcoming Conferences

February 28-March 1, 2022
SIIA Price Transparency Forum presented by The Self-Insurance Institute of America (SIIA). The association's inaugural Price Transparency Forum will feature leading participants in price transparency efforts, from federal agency regulators to self-insured industry professionals, to talk about the opportunities, challenges, and needs in the space. From the *Transparency in Coverage Rule* to the *No Surprises Act*, this Forum will provide an interactive opportunity to learn what these new rules and regulations mean for your business and clients, from strategy to implementation. Sheraton Dallas Hotel, Dallas, TX. **Register today**

March 2-4, 2022 - *Hybrid Conference*
The Thirty-First National HIPAA Summit. Chairs: **Adam Greene, JD, MPH**, Partner and Co-chair, Health Information & HIPAA Practice, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP; HIPAA Summit Distinguished Service Award Winner, Former Senior Health Information Technology and Privacy Specialist, Office for Civil Rights, HHS, Washington, DC; **Kirk J. Nahra, JD**, Partner and Co-chair of the Privacy and Cybersecurity Practice, Wilmer Hale, Washington, DC. **Iliana Peters, JD, LLM,** Shareholder, Polsinelli, Former Acting Deputy Director, Health Information Privacy, Office for Civil Rights, US Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC. **Robert M. Tennant, MA,** Vice President, Federal Affairs, Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI); Former Director, HIT Policy, Medical Group Management Association; Washington, DC. . Grand Hyatt, Washington, DC. Registration: **hipasummit.com**.

March 3, 2022 - *11 AM Eastern*
The 2021 Winning With Wellness Awards presented by Bravo. Highlight winning strategies across several industries, including manufacturing, healthcare, education and construction. Our 13 award finalists are highlighted. **Registration**.

March 3, 2022 - *Webinar 2pm EST to 2:45pm EST*
How to drive impact from DPC programs presented by zakipoint Health and SolidarityUS. Speakers: **Mark Blum,** CEO of SolidarityUS Health and **Ramesh Kumar,** co-founder and CEO of zakipoint health. Topics: How to use data to continuously identify, act, connect and track members through a perfect DPC model; Case studies to prove how the IACT model is working with clients; How to align incentives that are misaligned to achieve better results; How to align patients, providers, and self-funded health plans; Redesign how care is being delivered. **Information and Registration**

March 30-31, 2022
SPBA's Spring meeting announcement presented by Society of Professional Benefit Administrators (SPBA). For SPBA members and self-funded/self-administered group health plans. Renaissance Washington, DC Downtown Hotel. Information: **Info@spbatpa.org**.

March 30-April 1, 2022
SIIA Spring Forum presented by The Self-Insurance Institute of America (SIIA). The SIIA Spring Forum is expected to be the largest gathering of senior-level self-insurance industry professionals for the first half of 2022. Industry expertise and perspectives will be shared through targeted educational sessions, group discussions, and a unique "focus group" participation opportunity. This will be combined with multiple networking functions along with a table-top exhibitor program to help you make important connections. New for this year, we have incorporated "business hours" into the program to make it convenient for attendees to schedule/participate in important meetings. JW Marriott Grande Lakes, Orlando, FL. **Information**.

April 11-12, 2022
SIIA Future Leaders Forum presented by The Self-Insurance Institute of America (SIIA). If you are a younger (under 40) self-insurance/captive insurance industry professional, this is a must-attend for you. Developed by the SIIA Future Leaders Committee, this forum will feature educational content targeted for younger professionals with multiple networking opportunities to help you make important connections with those in your age group. The Westin Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN. **Information**.

April 12, 2022 - *10:00 am – 11:00 am CT*
Behavioral Health Services and Innovations presented by National Association of Worksite Health Centers (NAWHC). Speakers: **Michael Thompson**, Pres. & CEO, National Alliance of Healthcare Purchaser Coalitions and **Anne Hopkins**., Director, People & Operations, Benefits and Wellness, CHG Healthcare. **Registration**.

April 25-27, 2022
AAPAN Innovations Retreat.This intimate event will act as a forum for candid discussion on issues impacting our industry and provide innovative solutions to address them. The event will focus on a mixture of topics that support our three core areas: advocacy, collaboration and administrative simplification. Reservation and registration details will be provided in the coming weeks, but for now, save the date so you can take part of this important event. Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay. **Information**.

May 4-6, 2022 - In person
Smart Data Solutions Customer Symposium. This events connects and facilitate conversations between Payers and Network Partners surrounding industry challenges and ways to efficiently address them. Topics include integration of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence into workflow processes, new mandates surrounding the No Surprises Act, Medical Record Analysis, FHIR, Prior Authorizations, and more! Hosted by Smart Data's Co-CEOs, **Pat Bollom** and **John Prange**.. Call 651.894.6400 and visit **www.sdata.us**.

May 16-18, 2022
SIIA Corporate Growth Forum presented by The Self-Insurance Institute of America (SIIA). This new SIIA event has been designed to help SIIA members better understand growth strategies made possible by corporate financial transactions (mergers, acquisitions, capitalizations, etc.). In addition to targeted educational content, attendees will have the opportunity to connect with representatives of private equity firms and related advisors and network with owners/senior executives of other SIIA member companies. Greenville, South Carolina. **Register**

May 18-19, 2022
Roundstone 7th annual Medical Captive Forum (MCF), entitled, *"Thrive Together."* We're excited to be back in person in the city we love - Cleveland, Ohio. And we are just as excited to deliver an informative and educational event to help you stay on top of important health insurance and healthcare trends, and implement wellness and cost saving strategies for healthier, happier employees. When our businesses thrive, we all do. This event is designed for our customers, our trusted network of benefits advisors, our solution provider partners, and executives responsible for employee health benefits at small and mid-size companies across the nation **RSVP here to pre-register**.

June 23-24, 2022
2022 Onsite Employee Health Clinics Forum. Leading Strategies to Build & Expand Worksite Clinics: Reduce Medical Expenses, Ensure/Maintain a Competitive Benefits Strategy and Achieve a High-Performing & Healthy Workforce. The Drake Hotel • Chicago, IL. **Information and Registration**.

July 18-19, 2022 - In person
HCAA's *TPA Summit 2022* presented by Health Care Administrators Association. Hyatt Regency St. Louis at The Arch, St. Louis, MO. **Information**

August 24-26, 2022
2022 MASI Annual Fall Conference presented by Mississipoi Association of Self-Insurers. We are pleased to open a call for proposals for presentations at the 2022 MASI Annual Fall Conference. If you have a proposal for an educational session, or if you have a topic you would like presented at the 2022 Fall Conference, please contact **Wendy Powell** at wendyc@masiweb.org. The deadline to submit ideas is Monday, January 3, 2022. The planning committee will consider all ideas and will use these to form the agenda for the 2022 Annual MASI Fall Conference! Beau Rivage Resort and Casino, Biloxi, MS. **Registration**.

September 8-9, 2022
NAWHC 10th Annual Forum: Creating and Expanding Worksite Health Clinics presented by the National Association of Worksite Health Centers. Topics: The direction of employer centers in post-COVID-19 world; Planning and design of worksite health centers; Operations, staffing and management of worksite health centers; Legal and regulatory aspects of worksite health centers; The impact of COVID-19 on center services; Measuring the health center performance; Increasing utilization and engagement; Pharmacy services; and Digital services. DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in downtown Nashville. **Information and registration**.

October 11-13, 2022
SIIA National Conference & Expo presented by The Self-Insurance Institute of America (SIIA). The world's largest self-insurance/captive insurance industry event will be back with its traditional, fully in-person format. JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa, Phoenix, AZ. **Registration**.

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