

PROVIDER NEWSLETTER

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PROMOTING THE IMPORTANCE OF EARLY DETECTION

During breast cancer awareness month, we're reminded that early detection can save lives. Regular cancer screenings are the most effective tool for identifying cancer at a stage when it is most treatable. This is particularly important for the growing senior population in the U.S., where the greatest <u>risk factor for cancer</u> is age. For seniors, early detection can have a significant impact on their quality of life during and after treatment.

Personalized care is key. Each patient's medical history and risk factors should be taken into consideration when discussing the appropriate types and frequency of cancer screenings. While we aim to raise awareness of breast cancer, we also are emphasizing the importance of other routine screenings, such as colorectal, cervical, and prostate screenings, as seniors are disproportionately affected by cancer and often require tailored treatment and support.

Cancer symptoms in seniors

can be mistaken for other conditions



associated with older age, leading to late diagnosis and increased complexity of treatment

Incidence rates for cancer overall increase steadily with age, with more than

1,000 cases per 100,000 people

in age groups over 60 years



The median age for a cancer diagnosis in the U.S. is 66 years old



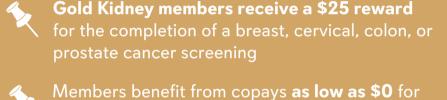
Over 90% of older adults with cancer



have at least one chronic condition. and 1/3 have more than three

TIPS FOR CLOSING CARE GAPS WITH PREVENTATIVE CARE







authorizations to make sure your patients get the We help your patients take proactive steps toward

better health with these incentives and more.



2025 PLANS FOCUS ON STABILITY OF PRODUCTS



Focus on Giveback

MA-Only Plan

Focus on high giveback and improved

supplemental benefits Diabetes/CHF/CVD Plans (CSNP)

Focus on core benefits that truly matter for this

population **Dialysis/ESRD Plans**

(CSNP) Focus on the 3 most important benefits to this population: cost of care,

transportation, and food.



surgeon, endocrinologist, nephrologist, and vascular surgeon) Low MOOPs

CSNP dual-look-a-likes will

see significant

improvement with Dental, Vision & Hearing and benefits like food Part D benefits are

No deductibles, low copays

Companion Care and Fitness

continued on all plans

still best-in-class

AEP New benefits:



allows members the ability to use both in-

network and out-ofnetwork providers Members have access

to many more providers for care The POS Benefit applies

to all care providers. In

addition to physicians, this would include labs and diagnostic imaging centers, as well as all other ancillary providers and facilities



for 2024

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