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Subject: Providers Must be Medicare Compliant

Presbyterian Health Plan, Inc. and Presbyterian Insurance Company, Inc. (Presbyterian) are committed to meeting the highest standards in healthcare and empowering our members to lead healthy lives. One of the ways we help ease our members' way to their best health is by ensuring our network of providers meet federal, state and accreditation requirements. We would like to take this opportunity to remind Medicare providers of their contractual obligation to meet first tier, downstream and related entity (FDR) compliance requirements.

According to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' (CMS) definition, contracted providers are considered first-tier entities and are required to complete the general compliance training. Compliance training specific to Presbyterian can be found in the training and education section for providers at **www.phs.org**. The compliance requirements for first tier entities may be found at 42 CFR § 422.503(b)(4)(vi), chapter nine of the CMS Prescription Drug Manual and chapter 21 of the CMS Managed Care Manual.

For questions regarding CMS compliance requirements, or to check the status of your compliance training, please contact our Contracting department at (505) 923-8376. If you have any additional questions, please contact your Provider Network Operations relationship executive. You can find his/her contact information at www.phs.org/ContactGuide.

We appreciate your commitment to completing the compliance training. Thank you for partnering with us to improve the health of the patients, members and communities we serve.

Sincerely,

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