



To: Loyola Physician Partners UM/QI IPA Committee Members

From: UM/QI Committee Chair

Date: 02/23/2022

RE: UM Affirmation Statement for HMO Illinois, Blue Advantage HMO, Blue Precision HMO and Blue Advantage Medicare

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UM/QI IPA Committee affirms that:

1. UM decisions are based on medical necessity, which includes appropriateness of care and services, and the existence of available benefits.
2. This organization does not specifically reward practitioners, health plan staff, Providers or other individuals for issuing denials of coverage, care or service.
3. Incentive programs are not utilized to encourage decisions that result in under-utilization.
4. The IPA must also submit the UM Affirmation Statement with the annual IPA Utilization Management and Population Health Management Plan.
5. IPA also affirms that there is no conflict of interest between the IPA and their UM decision makers.