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RE: Long Acting Reversible Contraceptives

Background: Currently, Long Acting Reversible Contraceptive devices (LARCs) provided immediately post-partum in a hospital setting are included as part of the global payment for labor and delivery.

Clarification: EOHHS recognizes that providing LARCs prior to discharge has been shown to be effective in prolonging interbirth intervals and preventing pre-term birth.

EOHHS is requiring that both UnitedHealthcare Community Plan (UHC) and Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island (NHPRI) reimburse providers for Long Acting Reversible Contraceptive (LARC) devices inserted postpartum in a hospital setting. Reimbursement fees for the device will be considered an add-on benefit, and will be billed separately from the global fee for labor and delivery. Associated professional placement fees, and ultrasound, as indicated, will remain part of the global payment.