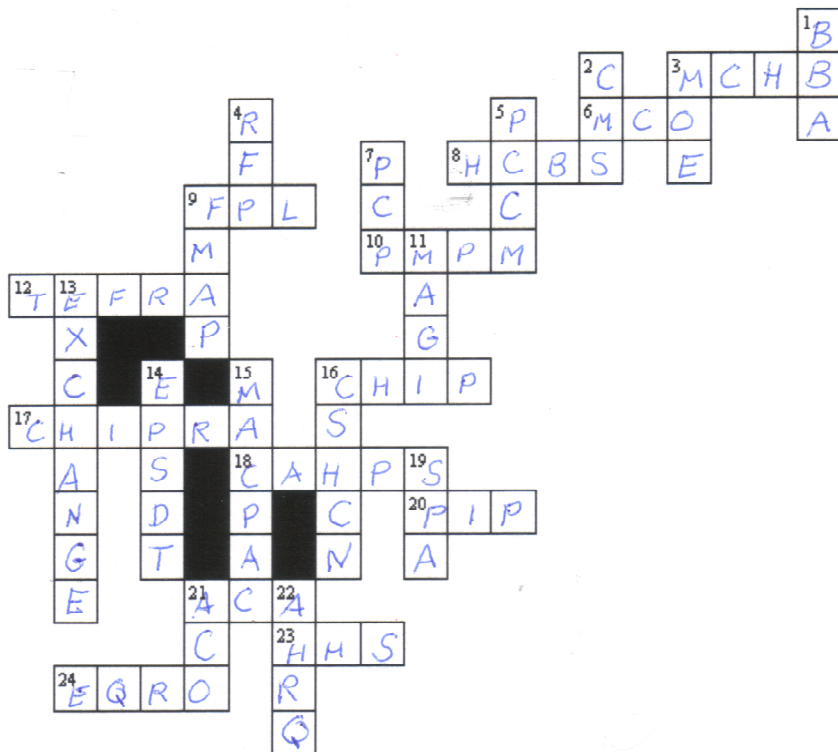




Catalyst Center Alphabet Soup

Medicaid and CHIP are chockfull of acronyms! Test your knowledge of them with this fun puzzle and then learn more from our new Tutorial on the Basics of Medicaid and CHIP. (catalystctr.org)



CATALYST CENTER ALPHABET SOUP ANSWER KEY

Across:

3. The federal agency that works to improve the physical and mental health, safety, and well-being of children and families, including children with special health care needs. Maternal and Child Health Bureau - MCHB
6. A system that manages health care delivery in order to control costs and/or coordinate health services. Managed Care Organization - MCO
8. A type of Medicaid waiver that permits a state to offer a wide array of services that a person may need to avoid more costly institutionalization. Home and Community-based Services - HCBS
9. The annual income standard, determined by the federal government, that states use to determine eligibility for public programs, such as Medicaid and CHIP. Federal Poverty Level - FPL
10. The amount a managed care organization gets paid; by the individual, 12 times a year. Per Member/Per Month - PMPM
12. A state plan option that offers Medicaid coverage of certain children under age 19 with complex disabilities, enabling them to be cared for at home instead of in an institution even if their family income exceeds state Medicaid eligibility limits. The abbreviation is short for the federal legislation that established it. Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 - TEFRA
16. A public health insurance program for children who are not eligible for Medicaid, but whose families need help affording health insurance; or a round, plastic, or wooden disc used when playing poker. The Children's Health Insurance Program - CHIP
17. Federal legislation reauthorized on February 4, 2009; or a cheer for 16 across. The Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 - CHIPRA
18. Surveys that ask consumers and patients to report on and evaluate their experiences with health care; run by 22 Down; or headgear worn by baseball players. Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems - CAHPS
20. Abbreviation for a quality assessment activity in managed care. It involves a structured process to identify an issue, collect data about the topic, and then make improvements to it. Performance Improvement Project - PIP
21. National health reform enacted on March 23, 2010. A big deal! The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 - ACA
23. Federal agency – don't get this one wrong; it funds most of us! US Department of Health and Human Services - HHS
24. Abbreviation for the independent evaluator of the quality, timeliness, and access to care furnished by a Medicaid or CHIP MCO that gets paid on a PMPM basis. External Quality Review Organization - EQRO

Down:

1. The 1997 legislation that lets states mandate its Medicaid-eligible individuals enroll in a managed care organization, rather than seeking a 1915b freedom of choice waiver. Balanced Budget Act of 1997 - BBA
2. The federal agency that administers the Medicare program and works with states to run their Medicaid and CHIP programs. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services - CMS
3. The provision of the Affordable Care Act that requires each state to "freeze" Medicaid and CHIP eligibility and services that were in place on March 23, 2010; or one of the Three Stooges. Maintenance of Effort - MOE

4. Abbreviation for the call for ideas that Medicaid programs issue when procuring MCO services. A good place for Title V programs to offer their expertise in making sure the needs of CSHCN and their families are included in what the MCO is thinking about providing. Request for Proposals - RFP
5. An arrangement in which a primary care provider contracts with Medicaid to provide primary care and care coordination or case management. Primary care case management - PCCM
7. The physician or other clinician whom you go to first for well- and sick visits. The head of your health care team. Primary Care Provider - PCP
9. The state-specific multiplier that the federal government uses to determine the rate at which a given state's Medicaid dollars are matched by federal dollars. Federal Medical Assistance Percentage - FMAP
11. In 2014, the formula states will use to calculate an individual's eligibility for Medicaid or CHIP; or the name of a pro basketball team in Florida, with a missing letter. Modified Adjusted Gross Income - MAGI
13. A central gateway where consumers, not eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, can compare and shop for health insurance in 2014; or what you do with something you ordered on-line that looked better in the catalog. Exchange
14. What Medicaid has that CHIP and private insurance doesn't. Guarantees medically necessary services to children and youth under 21; designed to assure preventive treatment and to promote early diagnosis and treatment of identified health needs. Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment - EPSDT
15. The organization tasked with reviewing state and federal Medicaid and CHIP access and payment policies and making recommendations to Congress, the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the states on a wide range of issues affecting Medicaid and CHIP populations, including health care reform. Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission - MACPAC
16. The population of people under the age of 21 who have chronic physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional conditions and who need health and related services of a type or amount beyond that which is generally required by people of the same age. Children with Special Health Care Needs - CSHCN
19. A change to a state's blueprint for how they administer and pay for services under their Medicaid program; or a restful place to get a massage or manicure. State Plan Amendment - SPA
21. A group of doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers, who come together voluntarily to give coordinated, high quality care to their patients. Accountable Care Organization - ACO
22. One of 12 agencies within the US Department of Health and Human Services whose mission is to improve the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality - AHRQ