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SEPARATION OF MEDICAL SERVICES FROM FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT POLICY STATEMENT	Chief Medical Officer
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## **AUTHORITY**

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## **POLICY**

Seaside Health Plan requires the Separation of Medical Services from Fiscal and Administrative Management and demands the following:

- 1. UM decisions are based only on appropriateness of care and service and existence of coverage;
- 2. No specific rewards to providers/practitioners or other individuals for issuing denials of coverage or service care;
- 3. No financial incentives for UM decision makers for decisions that result in underutilization;
- 4. Confirmation that consumer healthcare is not compromised by financial influences;
- 5. Ensured independence and impartiality in making referral decisions that will not influence:
  - a. Hiring;
  - b. Compensation;
  - c. Termination;
  - d. Promotion;

## e. Any other similar matters.

The Plan policy on the Separation of Medical Services from Fiscal and Administrative Management is distributed via the Internet, written notification to all participating practitioners of the availability of the information on the Provider Portal website and paper copies upon request.

Seaside Health Plan requires providers, practitioners and staff who participate in UM and Claims processes to sign the Separation of Medical Services from Fiscal and Administrative Management Acknowledgement at least every 2 years.

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