

# Ambetter 101

Quarterly Provider Webinar February 23, 2017

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- 2. The Health Insurance Marketplace
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- 4. Verification of Eligibility, Benefits and Cost Shares
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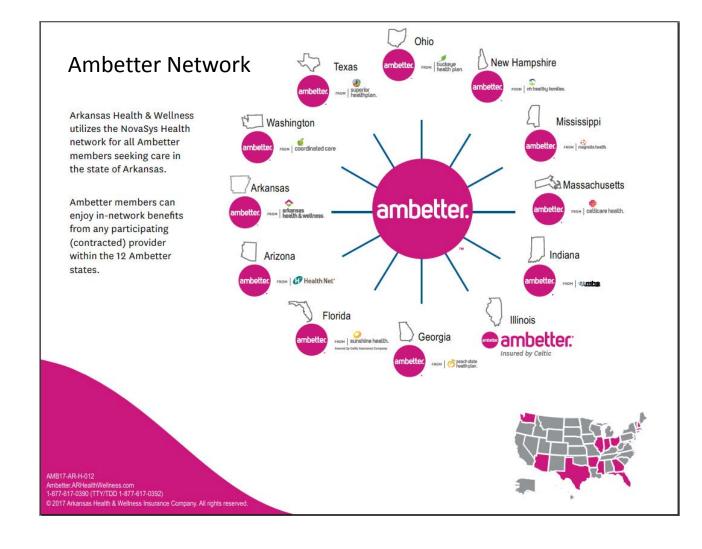






#### Ambetter is:

- A health insurance plan offered by Arkansas Health & Wellness through the Health Insurance Marketplace
- Affordable, quality healthcare solutions that help Arkansans live better
- Offered statewide with approximately 100,000 members
- A plan that utilizes an extensive network of quality healthcare practitioners and providers





## Health Insurance Marketplace in Arkansas

#### ARWorks - formally known as Private Option or Healthcare Independence Program

- Medicaid Expansion Eligible
- Enroll through local DHS office or <u>www.insureark.org</u>

#### **Federally Facilitated Marketplace (FFM)**

- Marketplace Eligible
- Enroll through <u>www.healthcare.gov</u>

Benefit Plans may have cost shares in the form of copays, coinsurance and deductibles, therefore verification of benefits is important.



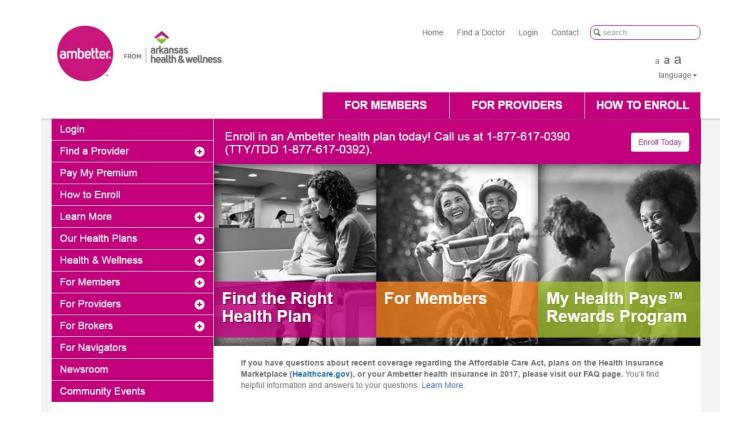
# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

## Public Website





#### ambetter.arhealthwellness.com



### Public Website

Information contained in the FOR PROVIDERS section of our public website:

The Provider and Billing Manual

Login

Find a Provider

Learn More

Pay My Premium How to Enroll

Our Health Plans

Health & Wellness

Join Our Network

Provider Resources Clinical & Payment Policies

Provider News

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Quality Improvement Program

For Members

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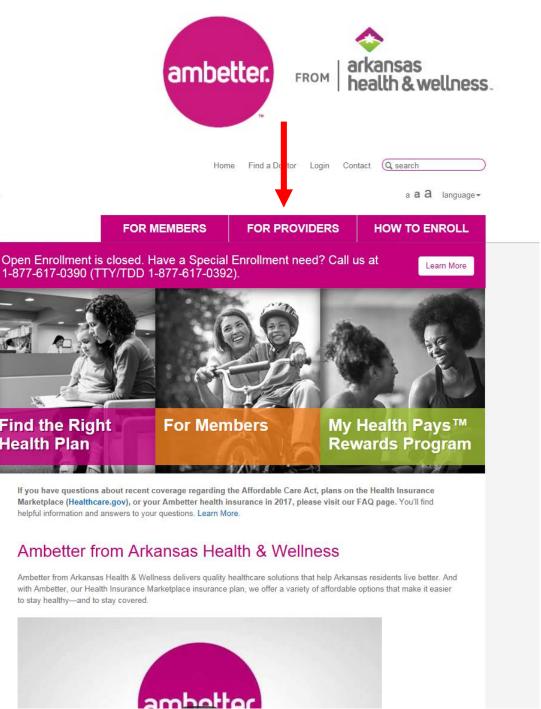
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Find the Right

**Health Plan** 

- **Quick Reference Guides**
- Forms (Notification of Pregnancy, Prior Authorization Fax forms, etc.)
- The Pre-Auth Needed Tool
- Clinical and Payment Policies
- The Pharmacy Preferred Drug Listing
- And much more





## Secure Provider Portal

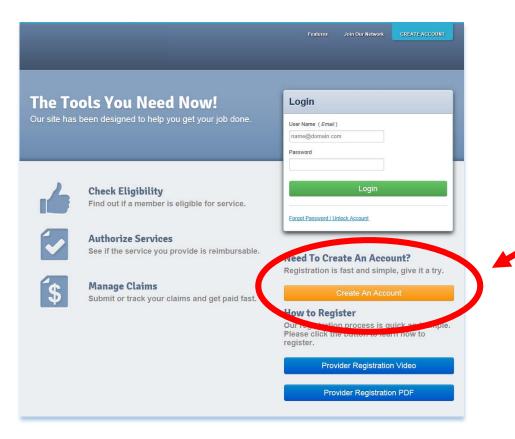
#### Information contained on our Secure Provider Portal:

- Member Eligibility
- Patient Listings
- Health Records & Care Gaps
- Authorizations
- Case Management Referrals
- Claims Submissions & Status
- Corrected Claims & Adjustments
- Payments History
- PCP Reports

## Secure Provider Portal

Registration is free and easy.

Click the orange "Create an Account" button to get started.









### Verification of Eligibility, Benefits and Cost Share

#### **Member ID Card:**



Member/Provider Services:	Medical Claims:
[1-877-617-0390]	Ambetter from Arkansas
TDD/TTY: [1-877-617-0392]	Health & Wellness
24/7 Nurse Line: [1-877-617-0390]	Attn: CLAIMS
STATE OF THE STATE	PO Box 5010
Numbers below for providers:	Farmington, MO
Pharmacy Help Desk: [1-844-432-0698]	63640-5010
EDI Payor ID: [68069]	NovaSys
EDI Help Desk: [Ambetter. ARhealthwelln	

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\* Possession of an ID Card is not a guarantee eligibility and benefits

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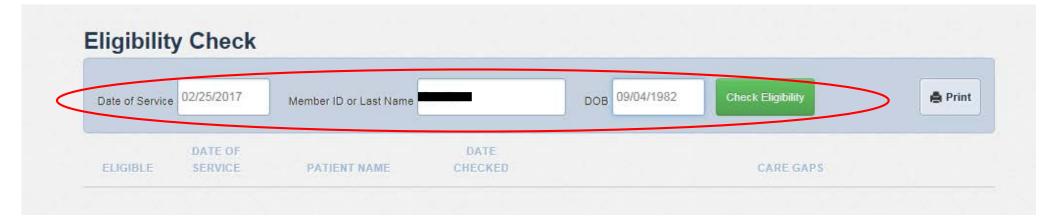
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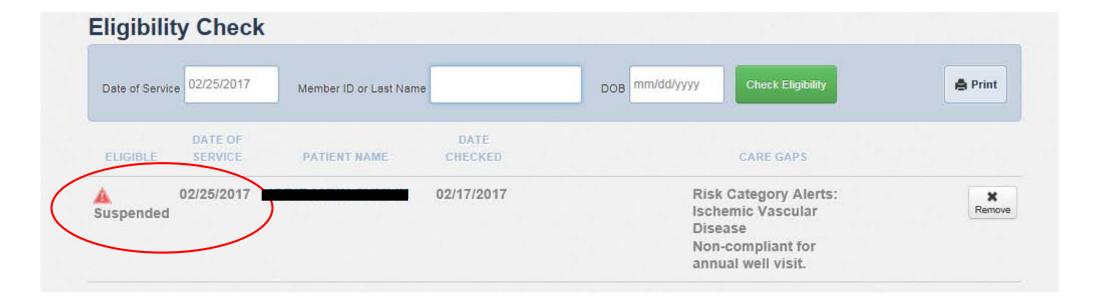
#### Eligibility, Benefits and Cost Shares can be verified in 3 ways:

- 1. The Ambetter secure portal found at: ambetter.arhealthwellness.com
  - If you are already a registered user of the Ambetter from Arkansas Health and Wellness secure portal, you do NOT need a separate registration!
- 2. 24/7 Interactive Voice Response system
  - Enter the Member ID Number and the month of service to check eligibility
- 3. Contact Provider Service at: 1-877-617-0390



# Verification of Eligibility





# Verification of Eligibility



When searching for eligibility on the secure provider portal, you will see one of the following statuses:

ELIGIBLE	DATE OF SERVICE	PATIENT NAME	DATE CHECKED	Member is eligible for services performed on	
**	07/21/2016	JOHN DOE	07/21/2016	this date of service.	
ELIGIBLE	DATE OF SERVICE	PATIENT NAME	DATE CHECKED	Member is not eligible	
Ineligible	07/21/2016	JOHN DOE	07/21/2016	for services performed on this date of service.	
ELIGIBLE	DATE OF SERVICE	PATIENT NAME	DATE CHECKED	Member premium payment is past due.	
Suspended	07/21/2016	JOHN DOE	07/21/2016	Claims may be denied.	
ELIGIBLE	DATE OF SERVICE	PATIENT NAME	DATE CHECKED	Member's premium payment is in delinquent	
Delinquent	07/21/2016	JOHN DOE	07/21/2016	status. Claims will be processed.	



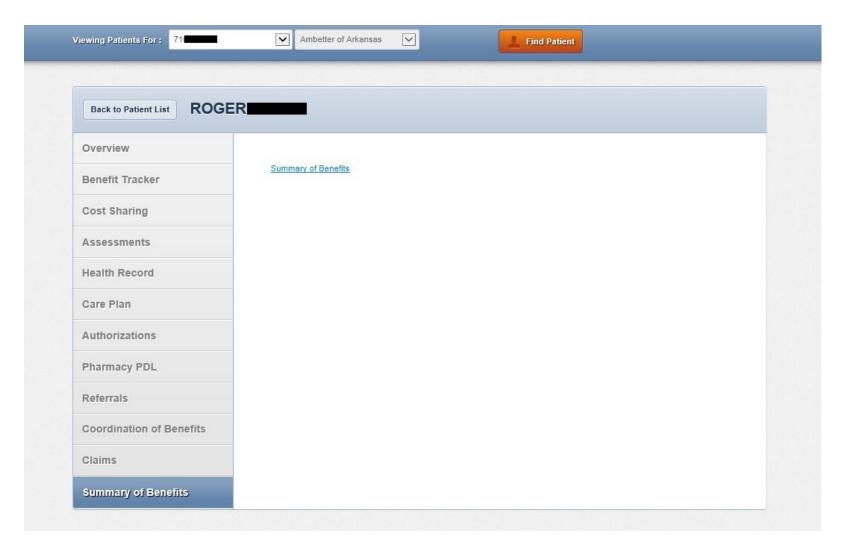
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#### **Member in Suspended Status**

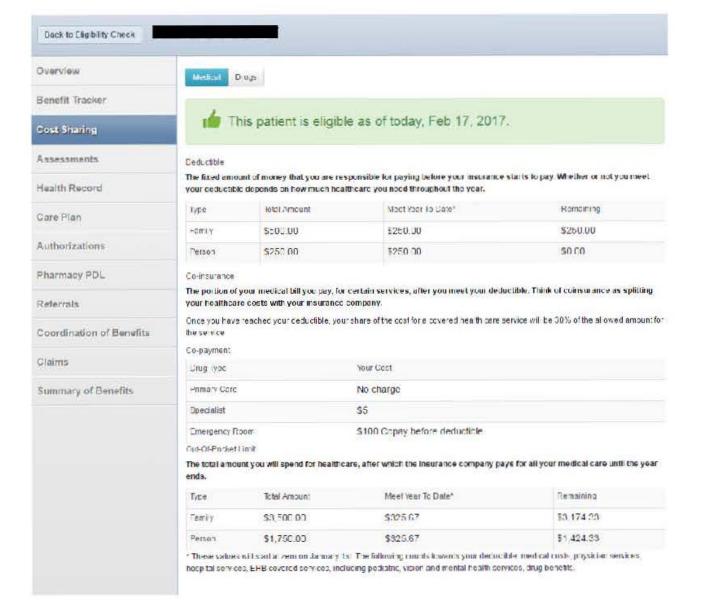
- A provision of the ACA allows members who are receiving Advanced Premium Tax Credits (APTCs) a 3 month grace period for paying claims.
- Claims will be paid during the first month of the grace period. After the first 30 days, the
  member is placed in a suspended status. While the member is in a suspended status,
  claims will pend and the Explanation of Payment will indicate LZ Pend: Non-Payment of
  Premium.
- When the premium is paid by the member, the claims will be released and adjudicated.
- If the member does not pay the premium, the claims will be released and denied and the provider may bill the member directly for services.
- Claims for members in a suspended status are not considered "clean claims".

# Verification of Benefits





## Verification of Cost Shares









# PCP Reports

#### **PCP Reports**

• PCP reports available on Ambetters' secure provider web portal are generated on a monthly basis and can be exported into a PDF or Excel format.

#### **PCP Reports Include**

- Patient List with Care Gaps
- Emergency Room Utilization
- Rx Claims Report
- Members flagged for Disease and Case Management







Back to Patient List		
Overview	*Source Case Management	V
Benefit Tracker		
Cost Sharing	*Date 02/21/2017 9	✓ 28 ✓ AM ✓
Assessments	Last Name, First Name	
Health Record	Phone Number, ()	
Care Plan	Additional Comments	
Authorizations		
Pharmacy PDL	Resear(s) for Referrel Behavioral Health Sen	
Referrals	Reason(s) for Referral Behavioral Health Service (select all that apply) Care Coordination  Co-Morbid Medical and	
Coordination of Benefits	Complex Medical Issue	
Claims	High Risk Member High Risk Pregnancy	
Summary of Benefits		
	Submit	



# Send a Secure Message





# **Prior Authorizations**

## Prior Authorization



#### **Prior Authorization can be requested in 3 ways:**

- 1. The Ambetter secure portal found at ambetter.arhealthwellness.com
- 2. Fax Requests to: 1-866-884-9580

  The fax authorization forms are located on our website at ambetter.arhealthwellness.com.
- 3. Call for Prior Authorization at 1-877-617-0390





#### Inpatient Authorization\*

- We request that you call for authorization for all elective or scheduled inpatient admission at least 5 business days prior to the scheduled date of admit including:
  - Behavioral health/substance use
  - Hospice care
  - Rehabilitation facilities
  - Transplants, including evaluation
- Urgent/Emergent Admissions
  - Call within 1 business day following the date of admission
- Partial Inpatient, PRTF and/or Intensive Outpatient Programs



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#### **Outpatient Procedures / Services\***

- Potentially Cosmetic procedures
- Experimental or Investigational procedures
- High Tech Imaging (i.e., CT, MRI, PET)
- Infertility
- Pain Management





#### **Ancillary Services\***

- Air Ambulance Transport (non-emergent fixed-wing airplane)
- Home health care services including, home infusion, skilled nursing, and therapy
  - Home Health Services
  - Private Duty Nursing
  - Hospice
  - Furnished Medical Supplies & DME
- Orthotics/Prosthetics
- Hearing Aid devices including cochlear implants
- Genetic Testing
- Quantitative Urine Drug Screen





### Prior Authorization

#### Prior Authorization will be granted at the CPT code level

- If a claim is submitted that contains CPT codes that were not authorized, the services will be denied.
- If additional procedures are performed during the procedure, the provider must contact the health plan to update the authorization in order to avoid a claim denial.
- It is recommended that this be done within 72 hours of the procedure; however, it **must** be done prior to claim submission or the claim will deny.
- Ambetter will update authorizations but will not retro-authorize services.
  - The claim will deny for lack of authorization.
  - If there are extenuating circumstances that led to the lack of authorization, the claim may be appealed for a possible retrospective review.





#### **Medical Necessity Appeals**

- Must be filed within 30 calendar days from the Notice of Action.
- Ambetter shall acknowledge receipt within 10 business days of receiving the appeal.
- Ambetter shall resolve each appeal and provide written notice as expeditiously as the member's health condition requires but not to exceed 30 calendar days.
- Expedited appeals may be filed if the time expended in a standard appeal could seriously jeopardize the member's life or health. The timeframe for a decision for an expedited appeal will not exceed 72 hours.

## Pre-Auth Needed Tool



#### Are Services being performed in the Emergency Department?

Yes No

Types of Services	YES	NC
Is the member being admitted to an inpatient facility?	0	•
Are anesthesia services being rendered for pain management or dental surgeries?	0	•
Is the member receiving hospice services?	0	•
Are services, other than DME, orthotics, prosthetics, and supplies, being rendered in the home?	0	

Enter the code of the service you would like to check:

69436

Check

69436 - TYMPANOSTOMY GEN ANES No authorization required.

To submit a prior authorization Login Here.





# **Utilization Determination Timeframes**

UM Decision Time Table		
UM Decision Type	Timeframe	
Prospective/Urgent	Within 1 business days of receipt of all information needed to complete the review. If all information is not received by the end of the 72 hours a determination will be made based on available information.	
Prospective/Non-Urgent	Within 2 business days of receipt of all information needed to complete the review. If all information is not received by the 14 <sup>th</sup> day of the request a determination will be made based on available information.	
Concurrent/Urgent	Twenty-four (24) hours (1 calendar day) Extension: A onetime extension may be granted up to 3 days If all information is not received by the end of the 24 hours a determination will be made based on available information.	
Retrospective	Thirty (30) calendar days	

<sup>\*</sup> This is not meant to be an all-inclusive list



# Claims





# Claims Terminology

#### Clean Claim

A claim that is received for adjudication in a nationally accepted format in compliance with standard coding guidelines and does not have any defect, impropriety, lack of any required documentation or particular circumstance requiring special treatment that prevents timely payment. An *exception* would be a claim for which fraud is suspected or a claim for which a third party resource should be responsible

#### **Rejected Claim**

A rejected claim is a front end rejection. This means that the claim did not make it into our system. If submitted electronically, the rejection will be on your rejection report from your clearinghouse. If you submit it on paper, you will get a letter in the mail. If a claim is rejected, you need to correct the problem and submit the claim as a first time claim. Do not submit it as a corrected claim.

#### **Denied Claim**

A claim contains all necessary data to make it in our system, but is denied for some reason.

#### **Corrected Claim**

A claim submitted using the Corrected Claim Guidelines found in the Ambetter Provider and Billing Manual with changes from the initial claim submission.

## Claim Submission



Timely filing deadline for an initial claim submission: Contracted Provider – 180 days from date of service or date of primary payment. Non Contracted Provider – 90 days from date of service or date of primary payment.

#### Claims may be submitted in 3 ways:

- 1. The secure web portal located at ambetter.arhealthwellness.com
- 2. Electronic Clearinghouse
  - Payor ID 68069
  - For a listing of Clearinghouses we accept, please visit out website at ambetter.arhealthwellness.com
- 3. Paper claims may be submitted to:

P.O. Box 5010 Farmington, MO 64640-5010





- APC Contracts not following CMS billing guidelines
- Black and white claim forms
- Handwritten claims
- ID Number does not match member data
- Misaligned data on paper claims
- Mismatched member ID/ date of birth combination
- Missing NPI and/or taxonomy code and qualifier
- Missing appropriate modifiers for certain services (i.e. anesthesia, therapy, DME)
- Missing CLIA number if claim contains CLIA certified or CLIA waived services
- Missing or invalid data
- Missing or incorrect POA indicator on inpatient claims

# Corrected Claims, Request for Reconsiderations or Claim Disputes



#### **Corrected Claim**

- Must be submitted within 180 days of the Explanation of Payment
- Must clearly indicate that the claim is corrected using criteria found in Ambetter Provider & Billing Manual
- NO HANDWRITING ON CLAIM

#### **Request for Reconsideration**

- Disagree with original claim outcome (payment amount, denial reason, etc.)
- May be submitted via phone call, written letter, or form found on our website (preferred method)
- Must be submitted within 180 days of the Explanation of Payment
- Claim Reconsiderations may be mailed to Ambetter from Arkansas Health and Wellness, Attn: Request for Reconsideration, P.O. Box 5010, Farmington, MO 63640-5010

#### **Claim Disputes**

- Used when provider receives an unsatisfactory response to Request for Reconsideration
- Must be submitted within 180 days of the Explanation of Payment
- A Claim Dispute form can be found on our website at ambetter.arhealthwellness.com
- The completed Claim Dispute form may be mailed to Ambetter from Arkansas Health and Wellness, Attn: Level II Claim Dispute, P.O. Box 5000, Farmington, MO 63640-5000





#### **Grievance**

- A grievance is a verbal or written expression by the provider indicating dissatisfaction or a dispute with an Ambetter policy, procedure or any administrative aspect of Ambetter from Arkansas Health and Wellness functions.
- All grievances are logged.
- Provider has 30 days from the date of the incident to file a grievance.
- If a grievance is related to a claims payment, the provider must follow the Claims Reconsideration and Claims Dispute process.

# Complaints/Grievances/Appeals



- Members may designate Providers to act as their Representative for filing appeals related to Medical Necessity.
  - Ambetter requires that this designation by the Member be made in writing and provided to Ambetter
- No punitive action will be taken against a provider by Ambetter for acting as a Member's Representative.
- Full Details of the Claim Reconsideration, Claim Dispute, Provider Grievance and Appeals processes can be found in our Provider Manual at: ambetter.arhealthwellness.com



# Claim Payment

#### **PaySpan**

- Ambetter partners with PaySpan for Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA) and Electronic Funds Transfer
- If you currently utilize PaySpan, you will need to register specifically for the Ambetter product
- To register for PaySpan: Call 1-877-331-7154 or visit www.payspanhealth.com

## **Provider Relations**



- The Member/Provider Services Department includes trained Provider Service Representatives who are available to respond quickly and efficiently to all provider inquiries or requests including, but not limited to:
  - Credentialing/Network Status
  - Claims
  - Request for adding/deleting physicians to an existing group
- By calling the Member/Provider Services number at 1-877-617-0390, providers will be able to access real time assistance for all their service needs.
- Each provider will have an Ambetter from Arkansas Health and Wellness Provider Network Specialists available to them. This team serves as the primary liaison between the Plan and our provider network and is responsible for:
  - Provider Education
  - Care Gap Reviews
  - Demographic Information Update
  - Initiate credentialing of a new practitioner
  - Monitor performance patterns





# Specialty Companies/Vendors

Service	Specialty Company/Vendor	Contact Information
Behavioral Health	Envolve People Care	1-877-617-0390 <u>www.cenpatico.com</u>
High Tech Imaging Services	National Imaging Associates	1-877-617-0390 www.radmd.com
Vision Services	Envolve Vision	1-877-617-0390 visionbenefits.envolvehealth.com
Dental Services	Envolve Dental	1-877-617-0390 pwp.dentalhw.com
Pharmacy Services	Envolve Pharmacy Solutions	1-877-617-0390 www.usscript.com





#### **Ambetter from Arkansas Health and Wellness**

#### **Provider Services**

Phone: 1-877-617-0390

TTY/TDD: 1-877-617-0392

### Credentialing

Phone: 1-844-263-2437

Fax: 1-844-357-7890

Email: arkcredentialing@centene.com

ambetter.arhealthwellness.com



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# Questions?

Please submit an additional using 'Provider Webinar" in the subject line to Contact\_Us\_Provider\_AR@centene.com

Thank you.