

Civilian Care Referred By MHS Facilities

II. PROVIDERS OF CARE

A. Civilian Providers

The SHCP payment structure applies to inpatient and outpatient medical claims submitted by civilian institutions, individual professional providers, resource sharing providers, MTFs, suppliers, pharmacies and uniformed service members for civilian health care received within the *fifty (50)* United States and the District of Columbia. The MCS contractor's Health Care Finder (HCF) will make referrals to network providers whenever possible. No dental services rendered to ADSMs, including adjunctive dental care, are covered under the Supplemental Health Care Program. [Addendum B](#) provides guidelines for dental claims for ADSMs. All other claims received for dental services rendered to patients other than ADSMs shall be adjudicated in accordance with existing TRICARE policy.

B. Designated Providers (Formerly USTFs)

1. In addition to receiving claims from civilian providers, the contractors may also receive SHCP claims from certain designated providers, formerly referred to as Uniform Services Treatment Facilities (USTFs). The provisions of the SHCP will not apply to services furnished by a designated provider if the services are included as covered services under the current negotiated agreement between the designated provider and Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs (OASD(HA)). However, any services not included in the designated provider agreement shall be paid by the Contractor in accordance with the requirements in this chapter.

2. The designated providers listed below currently have negotiated agreements which provide the Prime benefit (inpatient and outpatient care). Since these facilities have the capability for inpatient services, they can submit inpatient claims which will be paid in accordance with applicable TRICARE reimbursement rules under the SHCP:

a. Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, Houston TX (which also includes):

- (1)** St. Mary Hospital, Port Arthur, TX
- (2)** St. John Hospital, Nassau Bay, TX
- (3)** St. Joseph Hospital, Houston, TX

- b.** Fairview Health System, Cleveland OH
- c.** Martin's Point Health Care, Portland ME
- d.** Johns Hopkins Medical Services Corporation, Baltimore, MD
- e.** Brighton Marine Health Center, Boston, MA
- f.** Bayley Seton Hospital, Staten Island, NY
- g.** Pacific Medical Clinics, Seattle, WA

C. Veteran's Affairs

1. General

In addition to receiving claims from civilian providers, the contractors may also receive SHCP claims from the Department of Veteran's Affairs (DVA). The provisions of the SHCP will not apply to services provided under the current *national and local* Memoranda of Understanding between the Department of Defense (including the Army, Air Force and Navy/Marine Corps facilities) and the Department of Veteran's Affairs. Claims for these services will continue to be processed by the Services. However, any services not included in the MOU shall be paid by the MCS contractors in accordance with the requirements in this chapter.

2. VA Providers in Alaska

The California/Hawaii MCS contractor will process claims received from the VA in Alaska in accordance with the current contractual agreements. These claims will be processed as supplemental health care claims when they are for services referred by the MTF.