Module 4:
TRICARE Prime Remote

Module Objectives

After this module, you should be able to:

- Describe some of the key features of TRICARE Prime Remote
- Note charges associated with TRICARE Prime Remote
- Discuss how the TRICARE Prime Remote enrolled active duty member seeks medical care

TRICARE Prime Remote (TPR)

- TRICARE Prime Remote is a managed care option, similar to TRICARE Prime
  - TRICARE Prime Remote provides TRICARE Prime-like coverage to active duty service members and their families who are assigned to remote locations in the continental United States
- TRICARE Prime Remote defines remote locations as those areas that are an hour's drive or greater than 50 miles from a military treatment facility

TRICARE Prime Remote

Eligibility

- Must be registered in DEERS
- Available to the following beneficiaries:
  - Active duty (AD) service members
  - Active duty family members (ADFM) - must live with the sponsor
  - Certain Guard/Reserve and their eligible family members

Enrollment

- An enrollment form is required
- There are no enrollment fees

MTF Access

- AD members may be required to seek some medical care at military treatment facilities as directed
- AD enrollees have access to care priority in such cases; ADFM are enrolled in Prime

TRICARE Prime Remote Costs

Status	Active Duty	Active duty family members of E1–E4	Active duty family member of E5 and above
Enrollment Fee	$0	$0	$0
Co-payments	$0	**Network Retail Pharmacy: $3/ $9/ $22 Non-network Retail Pharmacy: $300/$600 point of service deductible and 50% cost share**	**Network Retail Pharmacy: $3/ $9/ $22 Non-network Retail Pharmacy: $300/$600 point of service deductible and 50% cost share**
Deductibles	$0	$0	$0
Catastrophic Cap*	$0	$1,000 per family per fiscal year	$1,000 per family per fiscal year

***NOTE:** The catastrophic cap is the maximum amount per fiscal year a beneficiary pays out-of-pocket for TRICARE-covered services or supplies.

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- The following beneficiaries **may** enroll in TRICARE Prime Remote if they live and work in remote ZIP codes
  - **Active duty service members (ADSMs)**
    - TRICARE Prime/TRICARE Prime Remote are their only TRICARE options
  - **National Guard members**
    - When on Federal active duty orders for more than 30 consecutive days
  - **Reservists**
    - When on active duty orders for more than 30 consecutive days
  - **Eligible active duty family members**
    - Enroll in TRICARE Prime Remote Active Duty Family Member option

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Enrollment Process:

- TRICARE Prime Remote eligible beneficiaries must complete an enrollment form, which may be
  - Submitted to the regional contractor via mail
  - Submitted to the local TRICARE Service Center
  - Accomplished online via the Beneficiary Web Enrollment Website

- Family member enrollment in TRICARE Prime Remote follows the **20th-of-the-month rule**
  - When the enrollment form is submitted before the 20th of the month, Prime coverage begins on the first day of the next month
  - When the enrollment form is submitted on the 21st through the end of the month, Prime coverage begins on the first day of the second month

NOTE: The 20th of the month rule does not apply to active duty service members; active duty service members are enrolled immediately

Seeking Care When Enrolled in TPR

- TPR network PCM must be used if available
- Medical care for TPR enrollees may be sought from a network provider; if none are available, they may go to a local civilian TRICARE-authorized provider
  - See Module 3, "*TRICARE Options*" for information on provider types
- Enrollees simply show their Uniformed Services Identification Card at the time of their appointment
- Network providers submit claims for treatment rendered directly to TRICARE
- The Service Point of Contact (SPOC) is a person or uniformed services office responsible for coordinating civilian health care for TPR enrolled active duty service members
- The SPOC reviews requests for specialty and inpatient care to determine how it might affect the active duty member's fitness for duty based upon current service-specific guidelines and clinical standards

You've Completed
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