ACCESS STANDARDS

MEDICAL / SURGICAL	PCP STANDARD	NON-PCP STANDARD
Routine Assessments, Physicals or New Visits	90% of members can access care within 30 calendar days	90% of members can access care within 60 calendar days
Routine Follow-up Visits Recurring problems related to chronic conditions such as hypertension, asthma, and diabetes	90% of members can access care within 14 calendar days	90% of members can access care within 45 calendar days
Symptomatic Non-urgent Visits Examples include cold, sore throat, rash, muscle pain, and headache	90% of members can access care within 4 calendar days	90% of members can access care within 30 calendar days
Urgent Medical Problems Unexpected illnesses or injuries requiring medical attention soon after they appear	90% of members can access care within 48 hours	90% of members can access care within 48 hours
Serious Emergencies Life-threatening illness or injury, such as heart attack, stroke, poisoning, loss of consciousness, inability to breathe, uncontrolled bleeding or convulsions BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	Immediate Care	Immediate Care DARD
Routine Assessments or Care for New Problems Non-urgent, non-emergent conditions, initial post-hospitalization visit, new behavioral or mental health problems	90% of members are offered access to care within 10 business days	
Routine Follow-up Visits Continued or recurring problems when member, primary care physician and behavioral health care provider agree with or prefer the scheduled time	90% of members are offered access to care within 30 calendar days	
Urgent Care Unexpected illnesses or behaviors requiring attention soon after they appear	90% of members are offered access to care within 48 hours	
Immediate Care for Non-Life Threatening Emergency Severely limited ability to function; behavioral health care provider may either provide immediate care, or direct the patient to call 911 or be taken to nearest emergency room	Immediate Care, Not to Exceed 6 hours	
Life Threatening Emergency (Self or Others) The expectation is that the member will receive immediate care appropriate for the critical situation, e.g. calling 911	Immediate Care	
DENTAL (Paramount Advantage only)	STANDARD	
Routine Care Periodic oral examination, preventive services	90% of members can access care within 60-90 business days	
Routine Follow-up Restorative services	90% of members can access care within 14-45 business days	
Symptomatic / Non-Urgent Problem focused evaluation & treatment	90% of members can access care within 7-14 business days	
Urgent Care	90% of members can access care within 72 hours	
Emergency Care	90% of members can access care within 24 hours	
TELEPHONE ACCESS ALL PROVIDERS	STANI	DARD
Access to Care After Hours	90% of members will find access to care after hours acceptable	
Return Phone Calls from Provider Office During Office Hours	90% of members will find return phone calls during office hours to be acceptable	

