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The Newsletter for EmblemHealth, GHI and HIP Providers

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## Clinical Corner

[Clinical Corner](#) is an online resource for updated information on clinical practice guidelines, medical policies and medical technologies. Formulary updates for EmblemHealth commercial, Medicare and Medicaid plans are available on the [Pharmacy Benefit Services](#) page of our Web site. Check Clinical Corner regularly to see the latest clinical updates.



The Health Status Improvement Committee meets regularly to review medical best practices and current clinical approaches to the treatment of disease states and conditions. The committee selects and adopts what it considers the most expert and effective [clinical practice guidelines](#) (CPGs) for our network practitioners.

The Health Status Improvement Committee recently approved the following CPGs for use by EmblemHealth, GHI and HIP providers:

- [Adults Exposed to the World Trade Center Disaster](#)
- [Arthritis](#)
- [Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary disease \(COPD\)](#)
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