Stakeholder Update: COVID 19

Medicaid and CHIP Services
September 2, 2021
Stakeholder Session Update

• Beginning May 6, 2021, HHSC will post pre-recorded sessions monthly.

• These sessions will continue to share information with stakeholders about the implementation of various Medicaid/CHIP flexibilities in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

• HHSC may return to weekly sessions as needed if there are changes to the public health emergency.
Medicaid & CHIP Flexibilities

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Medicaid & CHIP Flexibilities

• Many Medicaid and CHIP flexibilities have been extended through **September 30, 2021**, unless the federal Public Health Emergency ends sooner.

• HHSC will provide more information if there are changes.
Medicaid & CHIP Flexibilities (cont.)

Information on the flexibilities and extensions can be found on the following webpages:

- HHS Provider (PL) and Information (IL) letters (http://apps.hhs.texas.gov/providers/communications/letters.cfm)
COVID-19 Updates

COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Procedure Codes 0003A and 0013A Are Now Benefits

• Effective for dates of service on or after August 12, 2021, in accordance with the Food and Drug Administration’s amended Emergency Use Authorization, COVID-19 vaccine administration codes 0003A (Pfizer-BioNTech) and 0013A (Moderna) are now benefits of Medicaid, Healthy Texas Women (HTW), the Family Planning Program (FPP), and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for an additional dose for certain immunocompromised individuals.
COVID-19 Updates (cont.)

• An additional dose of the COVID-19 vaccine has been recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices for individuals who are moderately to severely immunocompromised and should be administered at least 28 days after the second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine.

• Procedure code 0003A is a benefit for individuals who are 12 years of age or older.

• Procedure code 0013A is a benefit for individuals who are 18 years of age or older.
COVID-19 Updates (cont.)

- Procedure codes 0003A and 0013A are Medicaid and HTW benefits for the following providers and places of service:

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COVID-19 Updates (cont.)

- Procedure codes 0003A and 0013A are CSHCN Services Program benefits for the following providers and places of service:

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COVID-19 Updates (cont.)

• Affected claims with dates of service on or after August 12, 2021, will be reprocessed, and providers may receive additional payment.
  • Additional payments will be reflected on future Remittance and Status (R&S) Reports.
  • Providers are not required to appeal the claims unless they are denied for additional reasons after the claims reprocessing is complete.
COVID-19 Updates (cont.)


• For more information call:
  • TMHP Contact Center at 800-925-9126
  • TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

LTCCR Updates

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Communication Channels

**Clients**
- COVID section on HHS site
- Health plan channels and providers

**Providers**
- COVID section on HHS site
- COVID section on TMHP site
- Health plan channels

Submit questions to: Medicaid_COVID_Questions@hhs.texas.gov
Thank You!

Next update:
October 7, 2021