
Banner Messages for the 12-17-12 and 12-21-12 Reports

This file contains abbreviated messages meant to provide timely notifications that affect all provider groups (physicians, dentists, and so forth). Additional current and historic information affecting the Medicaid, Medicaid Managed Care, and Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program provider community may be found in the earlier postings of these files in the TMHP banner library at www.tmhp.com as well as in the bi-monthly editions of the *Texas Medicaid Bulletin* and the quarterly *CSHCN Services Program Provider Bulletin*, which update the *Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual* and *CSHCN Services Program Provider Manual*, respectively.

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1 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2013, prior authorization criteria will change for private duty nursing, and skilled nursing services for Texas Medicaid.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

2 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2013, benefit criteria will change for intravenous therapy equipment and supplies for Texas Medicaid.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

3 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Prescribing Medicaid providers must use the HHSC Medicaid formulary and Preferred Drug List. Providers who prescribe medications for Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) clients must use the HHSC CHIP formulary drug list.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

4 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2013, some benefits will change for Texas Medicaid outpatient observation services.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

5 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2013, Texas Health Steps preventive care medical checkup criteria will change for Texas Medicaid.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

6 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Texas will be increasing Medicaid primary care rates, including those for certain physician visits and vaccine administration. However, the state did not get final federal regulations on the rate increase until November 1, 2012, which was too late to allow the state to meet the January 1, 2013, implementation date authorized in the Affordable Care Act of 2010.

The state is working with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to get federal approval for the state's plan to increase primary care rates. After the state increases primary care rates, TMHP will make retroactive payments for the increase for providers and services that qualify under the federal regulations.

TMHP will continue to keep providers informed of the process and timeline.

7 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue that impacts Part B outpatient psychiatric crossover claims that are submitted to TMHP by the Coordination of Benefits Agreement Novitas Solutions Inc.

TMHP is currently researching this issue and providers will be notified when the issue is resolved.

Additional notifications will be published on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com as more information is available.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

8 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

All Medicaid services, including breast reconstruction after breast cancer surgery, are covered for Medicaid Breast and Cervical Cancer (MBCC) clients who are receiving active cancer treatment.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

9 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

This is a correction to an article titled "BRCA Testing Prior Authorization Guidelines to Change for Texas Medicaid," which was published on the TMHP website on September 14, 2012. The article incorrectly states that procedure codes 83903, 83904, 83905, and 83906 will not be reimbursed in combination for a BRCAAnalysis® Rearrangement Test (BART).

The correct list of procedure codes that will not be reimbursed in combination for a BART is 83891, 83898, 83909, and 83912.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

10 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective January 1, 2013, TMHP has updated the taxonomy codes that are associated with licensed midwife providers and outpatient rehabilitation facilities for the National Provider Identifier attestation process.

Details are available on the TMHP Website at www.tmhp.com. [\[link\]](#)

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

11 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning January 1, 2013, licensed midwife (LM) providers can enroll in Texas Medicaid. The online Provider Enrollment on the Portal or the paper equivalent provider enrollment forms for Texas Medicaid with updates to allow for the enrollment of licensed midwives, will be available on the TMHP website beginning December 17, 2012.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [\[link\]](#)

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

12 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning January 1, 2013, licensed midwife and certified nurse midwife providers who enroll or revalidate their enrollment in Texas Medicaid must provide the name and license number of a physician with whom they have an arrangement for referral and consultation in the event of medical complications.

Details are available on the TMHP Website at www.tmhp.com. [\[link\]](#)

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

13 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning November 12, 2012, pharmacies that are enrolled with the Vendor Drug Program will be able to dispense to fee-for-service Medicaid clients a limited set of home health supplies that are commonly found in a pharmacy. Pharmacies will also be able to dispense these supplies to clients who are enrolled in a Medicaid managed care organization (MCO) if the pharmacy is enrolled in the client's MCO.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [\[link\]](#)

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

14 (12/07/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Texas Department of State Health Services has created free training courses that have continuing education credits for providers.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

15 (12/07/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

At a public rate hearing on November 14, 2012, HHSC presented proposed reimbursement rates for some procedure codes to be effective for dates of services on or after January 1, 2013.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

16 (12/07/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective December 15, 2012, prior authorization letters for Texas Medicaid will have some client information redacted to increase the security of the clients' protected health information.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

17 (12/07/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

At a public rate hearing on November 15, 2012, HHSC presented proposed reimbursement rates for some procedure codes for services performed by a licensed midwife in a birthing center to be effective for dates of services on or after January 1, 2013.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

18 (12/07/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

As of November 20, 2012, the transmission of crossover claims files from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Coordination of Benefits Contractor, which had been delayed as a result of Hurricane Sandy, are no longer backlogged and are now current.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

19 (11/30/12 through 12/21/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of services on or after December 1, 2012, benefit criteria for nonsurgical vision services will change for Texas Medicaid. In addition to the current exceptions that can be found in the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, routine eye examinations and replacement of eyeglasses or contact lenses will be allowed more frequently than the basic benefit if the client has a significant change in axis.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

20 (11/30/12 through 12/21/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue with claims for some add-on surgery services procedure codes that were submitted with the correct primary procedure code but incorrectly denied by Texas Medicaid.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com.[\[link\]](#)

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

21 (11/30/12 through 12/21/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Medicare Learning Network is available for education, information, and resources for the Medicare fee-for-service provider community.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com.[\[link\]](#)

22 (11/30/12 through 12/21/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Reminder: Clients who are 20 years of age and younger and receive Medicaid dental services through a managed care dental plan must obtain dental services through their primary dentist.

Only the client's head of household or guardian can request to change a client's primary dentist or managed care dental plan. Providers or other persons that are not listed with Texas Medicaid as the client's head of household or guardian cannot request to change a client's primary dentist or managed care health plan.

To change the primary dentist, the person who is listed with Texas Medicaid as the client's head of household or guardian can contact the client's dental plan. To change the client's dental plan, the client's head of household or guardian must contact the enrollment helpline at 1-800-964-2777 to make the request.

23 (11/30/12 through 12/21/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

This is a correction to the current Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Children's Services Handbook, subsection 2.4.11.4, "Prior Authorization and Documentation Requirements."

Diagnosis code 2740 is incorrectly listed in the table of this subsection. The diagnosis code that should have been listed is 27400.

In addition, diagnosis codes 27401, 27402, and 27403 should have also been listed in the table. These diagnoses were added as valid for nutritional products effective October 1, 2009.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

24 (11/30/12 through 12/21/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective November 1, 2012, the Women's Health Program (WHP) may reimburse for treatment of some sexually transmitted infections and diseases (STDs) that are diagnosed during a family planning visit that is billed using a WHP diagnosis codes.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com.[\[link\]](#)

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

25 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue that impacts claims that were submitted with dates of service from March 1, 2012, through December 11, 2012, with procedure code 92630. These claims may have been paid at an incorrect reimbursement rate.

When these claims are reprocessed, overpayments will be deducted from future payments (i.e., recouped). Deductions will be reflected on Remittance and Status Reports.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1 800-568-2413.

26 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Dental Providers*******

This is an update to article titled "Additional Documentation Requirements for Dental Providers to Receive Anesthesia Reimbursements Effective September 1, 2012," which was posted on this website July 13, 2012. The Texas State Board of Dental Examiners has delayed implementation of the new certification requirement for providers to upgrade from Level 1 (Minimal Sedation) to the new Level 2 (Moderate Enteral Sedation) permit for procedure code D9248.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

27 (12/07/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

This is an update to the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Medical and Nursing Specialists, Physicians, and Physician Assistants Handbook, subsection 8.2.2, "Substitute Physician," and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program Provider Manual, section 31.1.3, "Substitute Physician."

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

28 (11/30/12 through 12/21/12) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective January 1, 2013, additional information will be required on some claims for services that are ordered or referred by one provider at the direction of or under the supervision of another provider.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

29 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Hospital Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue that impacts hospital claims that were submitted with dates of admission on or after September 1, 2012.

Some claims that were submitted using Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act payment methodology incorrectly had a Diagnosis Related Group applied to them, which resulted in a change in the payment window timeframe and denials of the claims.

When affected claims are reprocessed, providers may receive additional payment, which will be reflected on Remittance and Status Reports.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

30 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Hospital Providers*******

Effective November 22, 2012, a number of diagnosis codes have been added to the list of diagnosis codes that are exempt from present-on-admission reporting requirements.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

31 (11/30/12 through 12/21/12) ***Attention All Medicaid Hospital Providers*******

Texas Medicaid is conducting a utilization review of inpatient claims with dates of service from November 19, 2010, through September 4, 2012, to determine whether the claims were paid outside of the spell-of-illness limitation, which is 30 days of inpatient hospital care.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

32 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All Medicaid Managed Care Providers*******

This is an update to an article titled "Follow-up to 'Delta Dental to Discontinue Providing CHIP and Medicaid Dental Services in Texas'," which was published on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com on October 11, 2012.

HHSC transitioned all Delta Dental Medicaid and CHIP members to MCNA Dental and DentaQuest for coverage starting December 1, 2012. However, some patients may have been assigned to an incorrect main dentist. To avoid delays in care, HHSC is temporarily suspending the requirement that a patient must be served by their main dentist effective immediately through February 28, 2013. Patients were mailed a letter in late November with their new dental plan information and can contact their new dental plan to verify their preferred dental provider.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.

33 (12/28/12 through 01/18/13)***Attention All DME and Pharmacy DME Providers*******

The Durable Medical Equipment computer-based training (CBT) and the pharmacy Durable Medical Equipment and Supplies CBT have been combined and updated, and the unified course is now available.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com.

34 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All Providers*******

The Texas Medicaid and Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program provider enrollment processes are changing to comply with new requirements that were established by the Affordable Care Act of 2010.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

35 (12/21/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All Providers*******

Tuesday, December 25, 2012, is Christmas Day, and Tuesday, January 1, 2013, is New Year's Day, both are bank holidays. As a result, electronic funds transfer (EFT) payments may be delayed by one business day for those weeks. Providers that receive EFT payments can expect funds by Friday, December 28, 2012, and

Friday, January 4, 2013. For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

36 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All Providers*******

On or after December 17, 2012, in accordance with the Affordable Care Act of 2010, the online Provider Enrollment on the Portal and the paper equivalent provider enrollment forms for Texas Medicaid, the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program, Texas Health Steps, and the Medical Transportation Program will be updated. Previous versions of the paper applications will no longer be accepted after January 1, 2013.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

37 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All Providers*******

The Remittance and Status Reports computer-based training (CBT) course has been updated.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

38 (12/07/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All Providers*******

TMHP will perform scheduled maintenance to the Claims Engine and Long Term Care (LTC) systems on Sunday, January 13, 2013, from 4 p.m. until midnight. An additional outage will occur on January 20, 2013, from 12:01 a.m. to January 21, 2013 at 3 a.m. (a 27 hour period in total). During the system maintenance windows, some applications will be unavailable for both Acute Care and LTC systems. Batch claims and batch claims status inquiries may be submitted during the maintenance period.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

39 (12/21/12 through 01/11/13) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2013, the reimbursement rates for some hearing aid and vision devices services will change for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

40 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Beginning January 1, 2013, provisions of the Affordable Care Act of 2010 that apply to Texas Medicaid providers will also be requirements of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

41 (12/14/12 through 01/04/13) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Beginning January 1, 2013, providers who order or refer services for Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program clients must enroll in Texas Medicaid as participating providers.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

For more information, call the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

42 (12/07/12 through 12/28/12) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2012, valid provider types and place of service for durable medical equipment procedure codes L8623, L8624, and L8499 changed for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com.[\[link\]](#)

For more information, call the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.