
Banner Messages for the 09-08-14 and 09-12-14 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.

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1 (09/12/14 through 10/03/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

This is a reminder that the Home Health (Title XIX) Durable Medical Equipment (DME)/Medical Supplies order form must be signed by a physician in accordance with federal rule (42 CFR 440.70)

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 (09/12/14 through 10/03/14) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

The TexMedConnect - Acute Care Programs computer-based training (CBT) course has been updated and is now available. Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

3 (09/12/14 through 10/03/14) ***Attention All Medicaid and Texas Health Steps Providers*******

There is a follow up to an article titled "Vaccine Procedure Codes 90685 and 90687 to be a Benefit of Texas Medicaid Effective September 1, 2014," which was published on the TMHP website on August 15, 2014.

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 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Texas Supplemental National Drug Code (NDC) file has been updated. Claims with these procedure code/NDC pairs and dates of service on or after the indicated dates may have been denied in error by Texas Medicaid. Affected claims will be will be reprocessed and providers may receive additional payment, which will be reflected on Remittance and Status (R&S) Reports.

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 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

There is a correction to an article titled "Effective August 22, 2014, Providers Will be Able to Use TOB 321," which was published on the TMHP website on July 11, 2014. The title of an article linked in the text has been corrected.

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 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention Inpatient and Outpatient Hospital Providers*******

This is an update to the article titled, "Updates to TexMedConnect and Claims Processing for Inpatient and Outpatient Hospital Providers to Align with NUBC," which was published on the TMHP website on July 11, 2014. Providers will be required to update their TexMedConnect (TMC) institutional claim templates, which contain codes that may be deleted during the National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) implementation.

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.

7 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

There is an update to an article titled, "Facility Criteria for Bariatric Surgery to Change for Texas Medicaid Effective September 1, 2014," which was published on the TMHP website on August 8, 2014. Additional criteria have been added.

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.

8 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Dental Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue with TexMedConnect incorrectly requiring a diagnosis on acute care dental claims. Dental claims are incorrectly being rejected if a diagnosis is not included on the claim submission. This issue only affects dental claims and does not impact electronic data interchange (EDI) 837D transactions or dental claims submitted on paper. This issue should be resolved by 12 a.m., August 28, 2014. After the issue is resolved, providers must resubmit their rejected dental claims through TexMedConnect to be processed according to current guidelines.

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

9 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention Medicaid Providers*******

The standard dollar amounts (SDAs) for dates of admission on or after September 1, 2014, will be available for hospitals, including some children's and rural hospitals, by August 29, 2014.

The SDAs will be posted on the Texas Medicaid Acute Care Hospital Reimbursement web page.

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.

10 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14)***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue with claims submitted with procedure code 66982 for surgery services rendered by physicians, physicians groups, and ambulatory surgical centers in an office, inpatient, and outpatient setting. Some claims submitted with dates of service from July 1, 2010, through July 31, 2014, may have been reimbursed at an incorrect reimbursement rate.

Affected claims within 24 months of the reprocessing date will be reprocessed. When the affected claims are reprocessed, providers who were underpaid may receive additional payment, and providers who were overpaid may have overpayments deducted from future payments (i.e., recouped). Adjustments will be reflected on Remittance and Status (R&S) Reports.

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

11 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14)***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective October 1, 2014, for dates of service on or after September 1, 2014, benefit criteria for allergy blood testing will change for Texas Medicaid.

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

12 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14)***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

This is a reminder that services eligible for the Affordable Care Act of 2010 (ACA) primary care supplemental payment will be identified by calendar quarter.

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 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14) ***Attention All Providers*******

There is a follow up to the article titled, "ASC X12 v5010 270/271 Transaction Sets to Support Explicit Eligibility Inquiries," which was posted on the TMHP website on July 3, 2014.

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

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

14 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective September 1, 2014, adults enrolled in five Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) programs for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) will be required to transition to the STAR+PLUS program for acute care benefits, unless the client is dual eligible for Medicaid and Medicare.

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.

15 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective September 1, 2014, acute care targeted case management and psychiatric rehabilitation services submitted by case management and mental health rehabilitation providers must be submitted to the client's Medicaid managed care (MCO) or behavioral health organization (BHO) in order to be processed for reimbursement.

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 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective September 1, 2014, the Medicaid STAR+PLUS program will expand statewide. Managed care organizations (MCOs) will begin providing acute care services, long term care services, and support to eligible Medicaid clients through the STAR+PLUS program in Medicaid Rural Service Areas (MRSA).

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 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of admission on or after September 1, 2014, TMHP may apply reimbursement adjustment reductions based on a hospital provider's potentially preventable readmissions (PPR) and potentially preventable complications (PPC). The reimbursement adjustment reduction will apply to dates of admission through August 31, 2015.

For more information, contact Medicaid PPR and PPC mailbox at MCD_PPR_PPC@hhsc.state.tx.us or call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126

18 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Texas Health Steps Quick Reference Guide has been updated. Under the column titled "Immunizations Administered," vaccine procedure code 90688 has been added and vaccine procedure code 90669 has been removed. The updated document is available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [\[Link\]](#)

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

19 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All SHARS Providers*******

There is an update to the article titled "Audiology Evaluation Procedure Code 92620 to be a Benefit of Texas Medicaid for SHARS Providers," which was published on the TMHP website on May 12, 2014.

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 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention Dental Providers*******

Coming in 2015: Dental providers who submit American National Standards Institute, Accredited Standards Committee X12 (ANSI ASC X12N) 837D transactions through the TMHP Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) will be required to include the header date of service (HDOS) to comply with International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) claims processing guidelines.

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 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid and TH Steps Providers*******

Pending approval of the Rate Hearing on August 21, 2014, effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2014, the administration of influenza virus vaccine procedure codes 90685 and 90687 will be a benefit of Texas Medicaid for clients who are 6 through 35 months of age.

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.

22 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2014, benefit criteria for neurostimulators and neuromuscular stimulators 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.

23 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of services on or after October 1, 2014, home sleep study test procedure codes G0398, G0399, and G0400 will be a benefit of Texas Medicaid for clients who are 18 years of age and older.

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.

24 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2014, omalizumab prior authorization 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.

25 (09/12/14 through 10/03/14) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Providers*******

Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) will be implemented in managed care, acute care fee-for-service, and Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) fee-for-service on January 1, 2015, with full compliance required by March 1, 2015.

For more information, please refer to the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

26 (09/12/14 through 10/03/14) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Providers*******

Beginning September 1, 2014, providers that are no longer under contract with DADS and have transitioned to the managed care STAR+PLUS program, but are currently using Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) for attendant-like services provided in the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) Community Based Alternatives (CBA) and Primary Home Care (PHC) programs, will continue to use the current DADS EVV system.

For more information, please refer to the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com. [[link](#)]

27 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective on or before May 1, 2014, TMHP added taxonomy codes associated with pathology, family practice, otorhinolaryngology, general surgery, prosthetic/orthotic supplier, YES waiver, and anesthesiology assistant providers for the National Provider Identifier (NPI) attestation process. Providers are encouraged to verify that they have attested all appropriate taxonomy 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

28 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Reminder: Providers must submit the correct rebatable National Drug Code (NDC) of the administered drug for payment consideration when submitting claims to TMHP for clinician-administered drug procedure 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

29 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

There is an update to the current Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Medical and Nursing Specialists, Physicians, and Physician Assistants Handbook, subsection 9.2.2, "Substitute Physician," and the current CSHCN Services Program Provider Manual, section 31.1.3, "Substitute Physician."

The number of days allowed for reciprocal and locum tenens arrangements has been updated.

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.

30 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) *** Attention All Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2014, inpatient hospital claims must be coded according to the date of discharge, instead of the date of admission.

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.

31 (08/22/14 through 09/12/14) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

On October 1, 2014, TMHP will implement the third quarter 2014 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) additions, changes, and deletions, which will be effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2014. Deleted procedure codes will no longer be benefits of Texas Medicaid or the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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.

32 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14) *** Attention All Providers*******

Monday, September 1, 2014, is Labor Day, which is a bank holiday. As a result, electronic funds transfer (EFT) payments will be delayed by one business day. Providers that receive EFT payments can expect to

receive funds by Friday, September 5, 2014. 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.

33 (09/12/14 through 10/03/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

This is a correction to the current Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program Provider Manual, Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) Services Handbook, subsection 36.4.1, "Method for Counting Minutes for Timed Procedure Codes in 15-Minute Units." This section incorrectly listed procedure code 92535 and has been updated to list the correct procedure code, 97535.

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.

34 (09/12/14 through 10/03/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective August 12, 2014, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2014, durable medical equipment (DME), new DME purchase, bath or shower chair procedure code E0240, when billed with modifier TF or TG, will be a benefit 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.

35 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Service Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2014, procedure code 66982 is a benefit of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for surgery and ambulatory surgical center services.

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.

36 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2014, omalizumab prior authorization criteria 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.

37 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective August 28, 2014, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2014, stem cell transplant benefits 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.

38 (09/05/14 through 09/26/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

The Texas Supplemental National Drug Code (NDC) file has been updated. The procedure code/NDC pairs were added to the Texas Supplemental NDC File 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.

39 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Service Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2014, the reimbursement rate for some diagnostic radiology, physician administered drugs, physician administered drugs oncology, and "Q" procedure codes for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will change.

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 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Reminder: Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program providers must include a valid National Drug Code (NDC) when submitting outpatient or professional claims for blood factor products.

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

41 (08/29/14 through 09/19/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

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

45 (08/15/14 through 9/05/14) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective August 1, 2014, Durable Medical Equipment (DME) procedure code E0190 with modifier UD must be used to bill the purchase of reflex wedges and positional devices (positional pillows and cushions). Procedure code E0190 is limited to once per three years, per client, any provider.

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