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## Banner Messages for the 09-14-15 and 09-18-15 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](http://www.tmhp.com).

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### 1 (09/18/15 through 10/09/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2015, benefit criteria for pathology and laboratory services-drug testing and therapeutic drug assays will change for Texas Medicaid.

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

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

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### 2 (09/18/15 through 10/09/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

There is a correction to the August 2015 release of the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Volume 1, General information, subsection 6.3.5, 'Modifiers.' The correction is that providers must begin using the U8 modifier for 340B clinician-administered drugs for dates of service on or after September 1, 2015. The provider manual will be updated in the October release to reflect these changes.

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

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

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**3 (09/18/15 through 10/09/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2015, benefits for brachytherapy services will change for Texas Medicaid.

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

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**4 (09/11/15 through 10/02/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Community First Choice Providers\*\*\*\*\***

There is an update to an article titled "Community First Choice Services to be a Benefit of Texas Medicaid Effective June 1, 2015," which was published on the TMHP website on May 28, 2015.

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

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

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**5 (09/11/15 through 10/02/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Providers\*\*\*\*\***

All Texas Medicaid providers enrolled prior to January 1, 2013, who have not yet re-enrolled in the Medicaid program must do so now. Providers must submit a separate re-enrollment application for each active Texas Provider Identifier (TPI) Suffix.

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

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126, option 2, or the TMHP CSHCN Services Program Contact Center 1-800-568-2413.

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**6 (09/11/15 through 10/02/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Home Health Agencies and Personal Care Services Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2015, nurse evaluation and supervision procedure code G0162 will be a benefit of the Texas Medicaid Comprehensive Care Program (CCP) for home health agencies and Personal Care Services (PCS) providers who are providing PCS and Community First Choice (CFC) Services in the home setting.

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

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

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**7 (09/04/15 through 09/25/2015) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of services on or after September 1, 2015, reimbursement rate changes and updates for Texas Health Steps (THSteps) Personal Care Services and Community First Choice Personal Care Services will be implemented.

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

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

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**8 (09/04/15 through 09/25/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Providers dispensing physician-administered drugs in an office or outpatient setting for Medicaid Fee-For-Service (FFS) and Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) clients can utilize the "white bagging" delivery method, in which the provider submits prescriptions to pharmacies and the prescription is shipped or mailed to the provider's office. This delivery method is called "white-bagging."

Details are available at [www.tmhp.com](http://www.tmhp.com). [[link](#)]

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

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**9 (08/28/15 through 09/18/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

This is a correction to an article titled "Initial Reimbursement Rates and Reimbursement Rate Changes for Texas Medicaid to Be Effective January 1, 2015, and April 1, 2015," which was published on the TMHP website on April 9, 2015.

Effective January 1, 2015, procedure codes C9023 and C9135 were discontinued. Effective April 1, 2015, procedure codes J3145 and J7201 were made benefits of Texas Medicaid.

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

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

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**10 (08/28/15 through 09/18/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

The Texas Pharmaceutical and Therapeutic Committee met July 24, 2015, to make recommendations about which drugs and drug classes to include on the Medicaid Preferred Drug List. The list of recommendations is available, along with other meeting documents, at the Vendor Drug Program website at [TxVendorDrug.com/pdl/ptcom.shtml](http://TxVendorDrug.com/pdl/ptcom.shtml).

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

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

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**11 (08/28/15 through 09/18/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

The Texas Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board approved the minutes from the April 23, 2015, meeting during their July 23, 2015, meeting. The minutes, and other meeting documents, are available at the Vendor Drug Program website at [TxVendorDrug.com/dur/board.shtml](http://TxVendorDrug.com/dur/board.shtml).

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

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

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**12 (08/28/15 through 09/18/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

This is a reminder that for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Ambulance providers, the purchase of a surety bond is a condition for enrollment or re-enrollment, but it does not guarantee enrollment or re-enrollment.

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

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

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**13 (08/28/15 through 09/18/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

On September 16, 2015, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will offer a live training webinar designed to help hospital providers re-enroll in Texas Medicaid.

During the webinar, providers will be able to access training materials, submit questions, and participate in the course. A TMHP Provider Relations representative will conduct the webinar, which will include a question and answer session.

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

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

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**14 (09/11/15 through 10/02/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective September 1, 2015, Provider Enrollment on the Portal (PEP) and the paper Texas Medicaid Provider Enrollment Application were updated to include Home and Community Based Service-Adult Mental Health providers. In addition, Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) certification effective date and expiration date fields were added to the Provider Information Form (PIF-1) in PEP, the paper Texas Medicaid Provider Enrollment Application, and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program Enrollment Application.

Details are available on the TMHP website at [www.tmhp.com](http://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.

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**15 (09/04/15 through 09/25/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

This is a correction to the 2015 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Special Bulletin No. 7, which was published on the TMHP website on December 31, 2014. Procedure codes J3145 and J7201 are effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 2015, for Texas Medicaid and October 1, 2015, for 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.

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**16 (08/28/15 through 09/18/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Providers are allowed to recreate a Texas Medicaid or CSHCN Services Program prior authorization or authorization form in order to transfer it to an electronic format only if there are no alterations in the form's content or placement of information (field location).

Details are available on the TMHP website at [www.tmhp.com](http://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.

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**17 (09/18/15 through 10/9/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Providers\*\*\*\*\***

This is a reminder that on October 1, 2015, TMHP will implement the International Classification of Diseases Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) diagnosis codes and ICD-10-Procedure Coding System (PCS) surgical procedure codes. Prior authorization requests received by TMHP on or after October 1, 2015, and claims with dates of service or dates of discharge (inpatient claims only) on or after October 1, 2015, must be submitted with the most appropriate ICD-10-CM diagnosis or ICD-10-PCS surgical procedure code.

Details are available on the TMHP website at [www.tmhp.com](http://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.

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**18 (09/11/15 through 10/02/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention EPHC, Family Planning, and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

This is a follow up to the article titled, "340B Providers Must Use Modifier U8 When Submitting Claims for 340B Clinician-administered Drugs," which was published on July 16, 2015, on the TMHP website. The information in the article also applies to Expanded Primary Health Care (EPHC) program, Department of State Healthcare Services (DSHS) Family Planning Program, and Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program providers.

Details are available on the TMHP website at [www.tmhp.com](http://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.

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**19 (09/04/15 through 09/24/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective August 28, 2015, TMHP and eviCore will implement changes to the MedSolutions portal radiology prior authorization process. These changes are designed to ensure that radiology prior authorizations are processed quickly and in accordance with National Provider Identifier (NPI) guidelines.

When initiating a prior authorization through the MedSolutions portal or by phone at 1-800-572-2116, radiology providers will be required to supply more detailed physician and facility information.

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

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

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**20 (08/28/15 through 09/18/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Providers\*\*\*\*\***

TMHP will perform scheduled system maintenance on Sunday October 11, 2015, from 4 p.m. until 11:59 p.m. All applications and functions will be unavailable during the maintenance window.

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**21 (09/11/15 through 10/02/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Family Planning Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2015, immunization administration procedure codes 90460 and 90471 and human papilloma virus (HPV) vaccine procedure codes 90649 and 90650 will become benefits of the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Family Planning Program. Procedure code 90460 will be denied if billed on the same date of service as procedure codes 90630, 90632, or 90636.

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

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**22 (09/18/15 through 10/09/15) \*\*\*\*\*All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after August 1, 2015, some durable medical equipment (DME) and radiology services procedure codes are no longer benefits of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

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

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**23 (09/18/15 through 10/09/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2015, benefit criteria for pathology and laboratory services-drug testing and therapeutic drug assays will change for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

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

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**24 (09/18/15 through 10/09/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2015, benefit criteria for preventive care medical checkups will change for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

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

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**25 (09/18/15 through 10/09/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2015, benefits for radiation therapy 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](http://www.tmhp.com). [[link](#)]

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

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**26 (09/11/15 through 10/02/2015) \*\*\*\*\*Attention CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2015, reimbursement rates for some Durable Medical Equipment procedure codes for Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will change.

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

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

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**27 (09/11/15 through 10/02/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2015, appeal criteria for ambulance services will change for nonemergency ambulance transports under the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

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

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**28 (09/04/15 through 09/25/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Providers\*\*\*\*\***

The International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) and ICD-10-PCS (inpatient procedure code) code sets will replace

ICD-9-CM codes that are used to report medical diagnoses and inpatient procedures. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) effective date for ICD-10 code sets is October 1, 2015.

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

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

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**29 (08/28/15 through 09/18/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2015, expendable medical supplies, procedure code A4456, will be a benefit of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program. Procedure code A4456 will be limited to a quantity of 50 per month.

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

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**30 (08/21/15 through 09/11/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015, the administration of the meningococcal influenza vaccine, procedure codes 90620 and 90621, 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](http://www.tmhp.com). [[link](#)]

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

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**31 (08/21/15 through 09/11/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015, the administration of the Gardasil vaccine, procedure code 90651, 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](http://www.tmhp.com). [[link](#)]

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

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**32 (08/21/15 through 09/11/15) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015, first quarter 2015 HCPCS procedure code G0459 will be a benefit of the Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program.

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

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