
Banner Messages for the 08-01-16 and 08-05-16 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 (04/29/16 through 09/25/16) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers and CSHCN Services Program Hospice and Medical Foods providers *****

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that the previous March 24, 2016 deadline for Medicaid provider re-enrollment is extended to Sept. 25, 2016. Though this extension gives states additional time to ensure providers comply with Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) requirements, Texas Medicaid encourages all providers who have not yet submitted a re-enrollment application to begin this process immediately to avoid potential payment disruptions. Additional information will be announced in the coming weeks to assist providers who are working on the re-enrollment process.

2 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) *****Attention Medicaid Providers*****

This is a reminder about the information communicated in the article titled "Update for Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy - Children (Acute and Chronic) Benefit Policy: Documentation of Current THSteps Checkup is Required for All Recertification Requests, Effective September 1, 2016," which was posted on this website on June 16, 2016.

Effective September 1, 2016, the Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy - Children (Acute and Chronic) Benefit Policy will be updated to include the following direction to providers: "Documentation stating the Texas Health Steps (THSteps) checkup is current or that a developmental screening was performed by the prescribing provider within the last 60 days is required for all recertification requests."

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 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective September 1, 2016, prior authorization will no longer be required for initial admission, maximum five days, to freestanding psychiatric facilities or state psychiatric hospitals for clients who are birth through 20 years of age. Prior authorization continues to be required for stays exceeding five days.

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 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective August 29, 2016, TMHP will launch an Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) provider-facing portal. Providers will have the option to enter Provider Selection Form data that was previously faxed or emailed for EVV purposes directly into the new portal.

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 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) ***Attention Medicaid Providers*******

This is an update to the article titled "Procedure Code Updates for Dual-Eligible Clients Effective June 1, 2016 and August 1, 2016," which was published on this website on May 25, 2016. Certain ambulance service procedure codes must be submitted to Medicare before they are submitted to Texas Medicaid for consideration of cost-sharing liabilities for clients who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid 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.

6 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The agenda for the July 29, 2016, Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board meeting is now available online.

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

7 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective July 21, 2016, Texas Medicaid will implement the semi-annual update of the Medicaid Preferred Drug List. The update is based on changes presented at the January 2016 Pharmaceutical & Therapeutics Committee meeting and April 2016 Drug Utilization Review Board meeting.

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

8 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of services on or after July 1, 2016 and October 1, 2016, proposed reimbursement rate changes for some procedure codes will be presented at a public rate hearing on August 11, 2016.

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 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015, home health agencies that provide Private Duty Nursing services for clients with a tracheostomy or clients who are ventilator-dependent can submit diagnosis code Z9981 with procedure code T1000, T1002, or T1003, and modifier UA, to receive additional reimbursement.

This information updates the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Home Health Nursing and Private Duty Nursing Services Handbook, subsection 4.1 "Services, Benefits, Limitations, and Prior Authorization."

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

10 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The new Texas Long-acting Reversible Contraception (LARC) Toolkit is aimed at helping providers increase the availability of LARCs to all Texas women.

The Toolkit offers suggestions and resources to support implementation of a policy to make LARCs available to women throughout the reproductive life cycle.

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 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective August 27, 2016, claims submitted by providers for hospice-related acute care services rendered to hospice-authorized Medicaid and Medicaid dual eligible clients that are 21 or older during the hospice period will be denied.

Medicaid and Medicaid dual eligible clients that are 20 or younger that are authorized for hospice (through Long Term Care) remain eligible to receive acute care services related to their hospice condition.

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 (07/22/16 through 08/12/16) ***Attention Medicaid Providers*******

Effective immediately, providers submitting claims for services on the institutional claim format (CMS-1450) must include the National Provider Identifier (NPI) of the rendering provider on the claim. The rendering provider is not required to be enrolled in 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.

13 (07/22/16 through 8/12/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective immediately, providers submitting claims for services that require an order or referral must include the National Provider Identifier (NPI) of the ordering, prescribing, or referring provider on the claim.

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 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

There is an update to the current CSHCN Services Program Provider Manual, section 14.2.2.5, "Radiographs or Diagnostic Imaging." 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.

15 (07/22/16 through 08/12/16) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

There is a correction to an article titled "Update to Prior Authorization Requirements for CSHCN Services Program Emergency Hospital Admissions," which was published on the TMHP website on July 12, 2016. The article mistakenly listed the effective date of July 1, 2016 instead of the correct effective date of August 1, 2016.

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.

16 (07/22/16 through 08/12/16) ***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.

17 (07/15/16 through 08/05/16) ***Attention All Providers*******

Effective August 26, 2016, the Health and Human Services Commissions (HHSC) Inspector General (IG) office has updated its timeline for providers to request an informal desk review of a denied enrollment application from 20 calendar days to 20 business days. 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 (07/15/16 through 08/05/16) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

There is an update to the current Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Behavioral Health, Rehabilitation, and Case Management Services Handbook, subsection 6.9, "Pharmacological Management 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.

19 (07/22/16 through 08/12/16) ***Attention Medicaid Providers*******

Effective September 1, 2016, changes will be made to the Sterilization Consent Form approval process, the Sterilization Consent Form and corresponding instructions, and the Sterilization Consent Form Denial Letter.

The changes will impact Texas Medicaid Title XIX family planning services, the Healthy Texas Women program, the Department of State Health Services Family Planning Program, and Expanded Primary Health Care providers.

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 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

On July 31, 2016, the third quarter 2016 National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) updates will implement for claims processed by TMHP for Texas Medicaid and 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 Contact Center at 1-800-925

21 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention Medicaid and CSHCS Services Program Providers*******

There is an update to the article titled "Procedure Code 83861 to Become a Benefit for Optometrists," which was posted on this website June 10, 2016.

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.

22 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention Medicaid and CSHCS Services Program Providers*******

On August 18, 2016, at 1 p.m., Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will offer a live webinar designed to address frequently asked questions from providers regarding enhancements to the Prior Authorization on the Portal tool.

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.

23 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) *Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*****

Beginning August 29, 2016, the format of Medicaid and Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program prior authorization letters will change. TMHP updated the letter format to improve communication for clients and providers. The prior authorization content has not changed, despite the change in format.

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

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

24 (07/22/16 through 08/12/16) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective August 29, 2016, TMHP requests that providers submitting acute care inpatient or outpatient institutional claims use designated fields for entering rendering provider (when the rendering provider is different than the attending provider) and value code information. These changes apply to paper as well as electronic or portal claim submissions for institutional claims submitted on or after August 29, 2016.

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.

25 (07/22/16 through 08/12/16) ***Attention Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

The TMHP Prior Authorization (PA) on the Portal search function has been updated to include the following fields for each detail line in the search results: Requested Amount, Requested Frequency, Requested Quantity, Approved Amount, Approved Frequency, Approved Quantity, Approved Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP), and Performing Provider ID.

Additionally, a Print button has been added to the PA on the Portal view screens. The Print button formats the information into a print view so that providers can easily print each request.

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.

26 (07/22/16 through 08/12/16) ***Attention All Providers*******

The Prior Authorization (PA) on the Portal webinar that was conducted on May 24, 2016, is now available as a recording on the TMHP Learning Management System (LMS) website. 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 (07/15/16 through 08/05/16) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

There is an update to the article titled, "Updated Electrodiagnostic Testing Diagnosis Restrictions for Texas Medicaid and the CSHCN Services Program," which now includes procedure codes 95866 and 95870. The article was published on the TMHP website on May 27, 2016.

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 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention All Providers*******

Beginning September 2, 2016, TMHP will begin releasing the electronic funds transfer (EFT) payments to depository financial institutions on Fridays instead of Thursdays (i.e., the payment for the fourth week in August will be released Friday, September 2, 2016, instead of Thursday, September 1, 2016). Deposited funds will be available for withdrawal Saturday or Monday morning depending on the individual financial institutions' processes and procedures for receiving EFT payments.

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 (07/29/16 through 08/19/16) ***Attention All Providers*******

TMHP will perform scheduled maintenance on Sunday, September 11, 2016, from 4 p.m. until 11:59 p.m. All applications and functions will be unavailable during the system maintenance window.

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.

30 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

There is a follow-up to the article titled, "Benefits for Radiology Procedure Codes 77013, 77022, and 78608 to Change for the CSHCN Services Program," which was published on the TMHP website June 3, 2016.

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.

31 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after August 1, 2016, the assistant surgery component of unlisted dentoalveolar procedure code 41899 will require prior authorization 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.

32 (08/05/16 through 08/26/16) ***Attention CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, July 1, and August 1 of this year, reimbursement rates for some Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program procedure codes 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.

33 (07/22/16 through 08/12/16) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective July 1, 2016, the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will allow providers that meet the deadline requirements to resubmit prior authorization requests for emergency hospital admissions that were previously denied for incomplete or inaccurate information.

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.