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## Banner Messages for the 05-08-17 and 05-12-17 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 (05/12/17 through 06/02/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective for dates of service on or after June 1, 2017, the reimbursement rates for Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers presented at a public rate hearing on November 14, 2016, will become payable. The rates are available for viewing online at the HHSC rate analysis web page at [legacy-hhsc.hhsc.state.tx.us/rad/rate-packets.shtml](http://legacy-hhsc.hhsc.state.tx.us/rad/rate-packets.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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### 2 (05/12/17 through 06/02/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective for dates of services on or after July 1, 2017, proposed reimbursement rate changes will be presented at a public rate hearing on May 18, 2017. Implementation of these reimbursement rates is pending. Providers will be notified when a final decision has been made.

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 (05/05/17 through 05/26/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

HHSC will implement the Nuedexta clinical prior authorization for individuals enrolled in traditional Medicaid on May 2, 2017. This prior authorization was approved by the Texas Drug Utilization Review Board on January 27, 2017.

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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**4 (05/12/17 through 06/02/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

The HHSC Inspector General-Utilization Review (IG-UR) Unit has revised the Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) validation process in compliance with Senate Bill 207 84th Legislature (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 (04/28/17 through 05/19/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

There is a correction to an article titled "Benefit Criteria to Change for Respiratory Equipment and Supplies Effective March 1, 2017," which was published on the TMHP website on January 3, 2017.

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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**6 (04/28/17 through 05/19/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of services on or after May 1, 2017, procedure code 92621 will be payable for audiologists for services rendered in an office setting to Texas Medicaid clients.

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

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**7 (04/28/17 through 05/19/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

TMHP will perform scheduled system maintenance on Sunday, May 7, 2017, from 4:00 p.m. until 11:59 p.m. All applications and functions will be unavailable during the maintenance window.

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 (04/28/17 through 05/19/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

The agenda for the April 28, 2017, Texas Drug Utilization Review Board meeting is now available.

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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**9 (04/22/17 through 05/06/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

The Medicaid/Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) division of the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is asking for provider feedback on the automation of the Utilization Review Medical Appeals process. Beginning April 14, 2017, providers can complete a short, online survey.

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 (04/21/17 through 05/12/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after June 1, 2017, telemedicine benefits 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.

**(04/21/17 through 05/12/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after June 1, 2017, telehealth benefits 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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**11 (04/28/17 through 05/19/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Providers\*\*\*\*\***

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is modifying Zika Testing Criteria for Residents of the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Testing is recommended as part of routine prenatal care for pregnant residents of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Webb, Willacy, and Zapata counties, and for residents of those counties who exhibit a rash and at least one other common Zika symptom.

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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**12 (04/21/17 through 05/12/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Providers\*\*\*\*\***

TMHP will perform extended system maintenance from 7:00 p.m., Friday, June 23, 2017, until 11:59 p.m., Sunday, June 25, 2017. All applications and functions will be unavailable during the system maintenance window.

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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**13 (05/12/17 through 06/02/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after May 5, 2017, laboratory providers must include modifier U4 with procedure code 86790, 87798, or 87799 when submitting a claim for Zika virus testing.

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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**14 (05/05/17 through 05/26/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after June 1, 2017, telemedicine and telehealth benefits 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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**15 (04/28/17 through 05/19/17) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

There is a correction to an article titled "Benefit Criteria to Change for CSHCN Respiratory Services Effective March 1, 2017," which was published on the TMHP website on March 9, 2017.

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.