

Banner Messages for the 08-20-2018 and 08-24-2018 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 (08/24/18 through 09/14/18) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

On October 1, 2018, TMHP will implement the third quarter 2018 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which will be effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2018. Discontinued procedure codes will no longer be considered as benefits of Texas Medicaid. Added procedure codes will not be reimbursed until the codes are reviewed and a rate hearing is held. Providers will be notified in a future article of any changes in benefits.

For clinician administered drug procedure codes included in a quarterly HCPCS update and approved to be added as Medicaid benefits by HHSC, the rate may be effective as of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services effective date.

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

2 (08/24/18 through 09/14/18) ***Attention Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2018, telemedicine and telehealth benefit policy language will be updated 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 (08/17/18 through 09/07/18) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2018, benefit language for Hydroxyprogesterone caproate procedure codes J1726 and J1729 will be updated in the Obstetric Services policy for Texas Medicaid.

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

4 (08/17/2018 through 9/07/2018) ***Attention all Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning September 1, 2018, the statement "Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to practice under Texas Civil Statutes, Article 4512L" will be updated to "Texas Medical Board to practice under Chapter 604 of the Texas Occupations Code" regarding certification requirements for providers of respiratory therapy services in the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual (TMPPM).

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

5 (08/10/18 through 08/31/18) ***Attention Telehealth and Telemedicine Services Providers*******

This is a correction to the article titled "Update to TMPPM Telecommunication Services Handbook." The asterisk will remain on telehealth distant site services procedure codes 90832, 90834, and 90837 in the table of section 3.3.1, "Distant Site," to indicate that family members are included.

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

6 (08/03/18 through 08/24/18) ***Attention Telehealth and Telemedicine Services Providers*******

Beginning August 1, 2018, TMHP will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Telecommunication Services Handbook within the Telemedicine and Telehealth sections.

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 (08/03/18 through 08/24/18) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective September 9, 2018, Texas Medicaid will implement changes for a more secure encryption protocol when accessing TMHP applications that require login.

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 (08/03/18 through 08/24/18) ***Attention All Medicaid Fee-for-Service Hospital Providers*******

There is a follow up to the article titled "Accounts Receivable to Be Established for Hospital Utilization Review Providers for Recovery Associated with EOB Message EOB00739," which was published on the TMHP website on July 3, 2018.

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

9 (08/03/18 through 08/24/18) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The monthly Texas NDC-to-HCPCS Crosswalk is now available for clinician-administered drug processing.

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

10 (08/03/18 through 08/24/18) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after June 1, 2018, nusinersen (procedure code J2326) is a benefit for durable medical equipment pharmacy providers when provided in the office or outpatient hospital setting.

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 (08/03/18 through 08/24/18) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective July 10, 2018, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2018, benefit criteria for procedure code A6250 without a modifier 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.

12 (08/03/2018 through 08/24/2018) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective July 31, 2018, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2018, the reimbursement rate for 2018 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System clinician administered drug procedure code C9032 will change.

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 (08/03/18 through 08/24/18) ***Attention All Texas Health Steps Dental Providers*******

Reminder: Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2017, prior authorization is required for clients ages six and younger for all Level 4 sedation/general anesthesia services (procedure code D9222, D9223, and procedure code 00170 with U3 modifier) performed in conjunction with dental therapeutic 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.

14 (08/24/18 through 09/14/18) ***Attention Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

On September 19, 2018, TMHP will conduct a live webinar designed to offer a high-level introduction to the Prior Authorization policies and procedures. The webinar is intended to educate, assist, and support providers who submit authorization and prior authorization 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

15 (08/10/18 through 08/31/18) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

On July 20, 2018, TMHP implemented updates to the Claim Status Inquiry and 835 Explanation of Benefits (EOB) Crosswalk tables.

Providers can access the crosswalk table on TMHP's Electronic Data Interchange HIPAA Reference Files 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

16 (08/10/18 through 08/31/18) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

This is a reminder that providers are required to use a client's correct name as it appears in their Medicaid or Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program records.

Providers must fill out essential fields on a prior authorization form completely and correctly to avoid unnecessary delays.

Providers may refer to the current Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Prior Authorization Handbook, section 5.4 "Submitting Prior Authorization Forms" or the current CSHCN Services Program Provider Manual, Prior Authorizations and Authorizations Handbook, section 4.3.5 "How to Submit a Prior Authorization Request."

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.

(08/24/18 through 09/14/18) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

On October 1, 2018, TMHP will implement the third quarter 2018 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which will be effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2018. Discontinued procedure codes will no longer be considered as benefits of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program. Added procedure codes will not be reimbursed until the codes are reviewed and a rate hearing is held. Providers will be notified in a future article of any changes in benefits.

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

17 (08/24/18 through 09/14/18) ***Attention CSHCN Services Program Dental Providers *******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2018, lifetime limitations for restorations and stainless steel crowns will change for the Children with Special Health Care Needs 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.

18 (08/17/18 through 09/07/18) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2018, the Children with Special Healthcare Needs Services Program will align with Texas Medicaid; services rendered by a therapy assistant (billed with modifier UB) will be reimbursed 70 percent of the rate paid to a licensed therapist.

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.

19 (08/10/18 through 08/31/18) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2018, procedure code C9399 for unclassified drugs or biologicals will no longer be a benefit of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

20 (08/03/18 through 08/24/18) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective July 31, 2018, TMHP has updated the Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program Home Health Skilled Nursing Request and Plan of Care Form and Instructions.

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.