

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Testing Procedure Codes to Become a Benefit for HTW and Family Planning Programs

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Effective April 1, 2020, coronavirus (COVID-19) testing procedure codes U0001 and U0002 will be a benefit of the Healthy Texas Women program and the state-funded Family Planning Program for dates of service on or after February 4, 2020.

***Note:** Added procedure codes will not be reimbursed until the codes are reviewed and a rate hearing is held. Providers will be notified of any benefit changes in a future article.*

Services provided before the rate hearing is completed and expenditures are approved will be denied with an explanation of benefits (EOB) 02008, “This procedure code has been approved as a benefit pending the approval of expenditures. Providers will be notified of the effective dates of service in a future notification if expenditures are approved.”

Once expenditures are approved, TMHP will automatically reprocess affected claims after April 1, 2020. Providers are not required to appeal the claims unless they are denied for other reasons after the claims reprocessing is complete.

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