
Banner Messages for the 11-23-2020 and 11-27-2020 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 (11/20/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Providers*******

Thursday, November 26, is Thanksgiving Day, which is a bank holiday. As a result, electronic funds transfer (EFT) payments may be delayed by one business day. Providers that receive EFT payments can expect funds by Monday, November 30, 2020.

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

2 (11/20/20 through 12/11/20) ***Attention All Providers*******

Effective January 1, 2021, for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021, TMHP will apply the 2021 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System additions, changes, and deletions. Deleted procedure codes will no longer be benefits of Texas Medicaid or the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

The information will be available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com on January 1, 2021. For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

3 (11/13/20 through 12/04/20) ***Attention All Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue with the monthly verification of National Provider Identifier (NPI) information, which resulted in inactive NPI notification letters being sent to some providers in error.

For additional questions on impacted NPIs, providers can contact the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126, Option 3, for Provider Enrollment.

4 (11/27/20 through 12/18/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Texas Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board met on October 22 and 23, 2020, to make recommendations for Medicaid clinical prior authorizations and the preferred drug list. A summary of these meetings is now available on the Texas Vendor Drug Program (VDP) website.

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

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

5 (11/27/20 through 12/18/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue with presumptive eligibility claims for pregnant women. Claims submitted with dates of service on or after January 1, 2020, may have been denied.

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

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

6 (11/27/20 through 12/18/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The quarterly update to the Pharmacy Clinical Prior Authorization Assistance Chart is now available.

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

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

7 (11/20/20 through 12/11/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021, prior authorization criteria for esketamine (Spravato) 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 800-925-9126.

8 (10/30/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2020, benefits for telehealth (non-physician delivered) services 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 800-925-9126.

9 (11/13/20 through 12/04/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers *******

Effective for dates of service on or after August 1, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is implementing twelve new procedure codes to describe the introduction or infusion of therapeutics.

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

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

10 (11/13/20 through 12/14/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning November 16, 2020, the deduction for the School Health and Related Services (SHARS) administrative fee will be shown in a new section, MISCELLANEOUS LEVIES II, on the SHARS provider's Remittance and Status (R&S) report.

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

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

11 (11/13/20 through 12/04/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective October 29, 2020, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2020, reimbursement rate for procedure codes 90619 and 90694 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 800-925-9126.

12 (10/30/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2020, benefits for telemedicine (physician-delivered) services 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 800-925-9126.

13 (10/30/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

To help ensure continuity of care during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) response, the Health and Human Services Commission will allow TMHP to extend for 90 days existing prior authorization requests that are set to expire through November 30, if providers are unavailable or unable to provide the required documentation on a timely basis due to a COVID-19 related issue.

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

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

14 (11/06/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

To help ensure continuity of care during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) response, the Health and Human Services Commission has directed TMHP to move forward with processing new and initial prior authorization requests, including recertification requests, by relaxing document submission timeframes for providers if they are unable to provide certain required documentation during the COVID-19 emergency. This direction will remain in effect through November 30, 2020.

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

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

15 (11/6/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning November 1, 2020, TMHP will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Medical and Nursing Specialists, Physicians, and Physician Assistants Handbook, section 9.2.35.1, "Vaccine Coverage Through the TVFC Program." The note in this section on recommendations of the Advisory

Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and the Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) Program will be updated.

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

16 (11/6/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning November 1, 2020, TMHP will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Children's Services Handbook, section 2.17.5, Reimbursement. The reimbursement information in this section will be removed because it is outdated. A reference will be added to this section for providers to refer to the Inpatient and Outpatient Hospital Services Handbook for reimbursement information.

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

17 (11/06/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective October 29, 2020, for dates of service on or after October 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code Q5112 will be updated.

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

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

18 (10/30/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers *******

On October 22, 2020, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, through the Health Resources and Services Administration, announced the latest Provider Relief Fund application period was expanded to include provider applicants such as residential treatment facilities, chiropractors, and eye and vision providers that have not yet received PRF distributions.

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

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

19 (11/06/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All Medicaid, HTW, and FPP Providers*******

Effective October 6, 2020, COVID-19 testing procedure codes 87636, 87637, and 87811 became benefits for the following programs: Medicaid, Healthy Texas Women, and the Family Planning Program.

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

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

20 (11/20/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers *******

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for 2020 second quarter Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) procedure code J7169 for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will implement.

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

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

21 (11/13/20 through 12/04/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021, benefit criteria will change 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 800-568-2413.

22 (11/13/20 through 12/04/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021, vaccine benefit criteria will change 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 800-568-2413.

23 (11/13/20 through 12/04/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2020, reimbursement rates for some 2020 second quarter Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) procedure codes for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will be implemented.

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

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

24 (11/06/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

As part of its continued response to COVID-19 (coronavirus), the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will provide reimbursement for previously identified telemedicine and telehealth services through November 30, 2020, dates of service.

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

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

25 (11/06/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

To help ensure continuity of care during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) response, the requirement to obtain the client or guardian signature on the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program Documentation of Receipt Form is waived through November 30, 2020.

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

26 (11/06/20 through 11/27/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2020, calaspargase pegol-mknl (procedure code J9118) will be a benefit of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for clients who are birth through 21 years of age.

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

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

27 (11/27/20 through 12/18/20) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of discharge on or after September 1, 2020, Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will revert to Grouper version 36 of the All Patient Refined-Diagnosis Related Groups to process inpatient claims.

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 (11/06/20 through 11/27/20) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective December 11, 2020, TexMedConnect changes will be implemented to modify processing of electronic claims submitted with other insurance information. [\[link\]](#)

Details are available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com