
Banner Messages for the 09-28-2020 and 10-02-2020 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 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of service from October 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) will change to 68.01 percent. The FMAP change affects only providers that certify expenses and are paid only the federal share of their claims. For these providers, reimbursement will be increased to match the change in the FMAP.

Effective for dates of service from October 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, the Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (EFMAP) will change to 77.61 percent. This change will not affect provider reimbursement.

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

2 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

For inpatient hospital stays related to COVID-19 for which the individual client was admitted on or after March 13, 2020, Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has received federal approval through a disaster 1115 authority to extend the 30-day spell of illness limitation that applies to certain adult Medicaid clients for up to an additional 30 COVID-19-related days to allow an individual to stay up to 60 days in a hospital. HHSC is also waiving the \$200,000 benefit limitation for COVID-19-related stays, which

applies to adults in fee-for-service Medicaid, as well as some members who remain in STAR Health after their 21st birthday.

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

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

3 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Laboratory providers submitting claims for COVID-19 testing or other services for a manually priced test must include the appropriate invoice(s) and documentation to ensure that manually priced laboratory claims (including claims that may or may not be for Coronavirus [COVID-19] testing) are processed timely and correctly.

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

4 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective immediately, members are being sought for the Drug Utilization Review Board of the Medicaid statewide Drug Utilization Review 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.

5 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

TMHP has created the EVV Visit Transaction Rejection Errors Guide to help program providers and financial management services agencies (FMSAs) who receive Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) visit transaction rejections in the EVV system from the EVV Aggregator. The guide provides step-by-step instructions for identifying and correcting the issues that are causing the rejections.

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

For more information, contact evv@tmhp.com.

6 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective August 27, 2020, for dates of service from April 1, 2020, through July 1, 2020, the reimbursement rates for procedure codes C9056 and J0223 have been 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.

7 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective August 18, 2020, for dates of service on or after April 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code C9053 (Adakveo) has been 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.

8 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective July 30, 2020, for dates of service on or after April 1, 2020, and July 1, 2020, the reimbursement rates for procedure code C9058 and procedure code Q5120 have been 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.

9 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective September 10, 2020, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code Q5119 (Ruxience) has been 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.

10 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Vendor Drug Program (VDP) regularly updates the clinical prior authorization criteria. These updates are necessary to help align VDP drug policies and prior authorization approval criteria with the latest information available on drug information packets and federal or state regulations.

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 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers *******

HHSC has directed TMHP to expedite processing and waive submission timeframes and documentation requirements for new prior authorization (PA) requests if the request is to replace durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies that were lost or damaged as a result of Hurricane Laura.

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 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Providers*******

TMHP will update the TMHP website on September 14, 2020. Users can preview the new website and learn about the different features and navigation with the video, "A Quick Tour of the TMHP Website," on the TMHP YouTube page.

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

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

13 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective September 3, 2020, for dates of service on or after June 25, 2020, reimbursement rates for COVID-19-related procedure code 87426 (Antigen Testing) 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.

14 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers *******

Texas providers rendering services to evacuees from Louisiana due to Hurricane Laura may complete the Hurricane Emergency Expedited Application with Louisiana Medicaid to receive reimbursement for services rendered to Louisiana Medicaid clients.

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 (9/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective August 27, 2020, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code J0179 (Brolucizumab) has been 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.

16 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2020, prior authorization criteria for burosumab-twza (Crysvita) 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.

17 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers *******

The Provider Enrollment: Facility Enrollment instructional video playlist is available for viewing.

This playlist consists of five short videos that will assist providers in completing and submitting applications correctly to help avoid any potential processing delays.

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 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The standard dollar amounts for dates of discharge on or after September 1, 2020, are now available for hospitals, including some children's and rural hospitals.

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 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective October 20, 2020, renal dialysis providers will no longer be reimbursed for some revenue codes.

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 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Vendor Drug Program (VDP) temporarily removed the non-preferred status in the "Hypoglycemics, Insulins" drug class on April 1, 2020, in response to reported drug shortages for insulin products. VDP will reverse this change in status when there is sufficient availability in the market.

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

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

21 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Vendor Drug Program temporarily removed the non-preferred status in the "Glucocorticoids, Inhaled" drug class on April 1, 2020, in response to reported drug shortages for insulin products. VDP will reverse this change in status when there is sufficient availability in the market.

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

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

22 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

In response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) health emergency, the Health and Human Services Commission has waived the \$200,000 limitation for inpatient hospital stays related to COVID-19. The \$200,000 waiver is for COVID-19-related hospital stays that meet certain criteria.

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 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2020, 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 800-568-2413.

24 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers *******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2020, procedure code J0800 will be limited to Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program clients who are two years of age and younger for medical services.

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 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2020, Wheelchair Seating Evaluation Form guidelines will be updated to allow electronic signatures 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.

26 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2020, 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 800-568-2413.

27 (10/02/20 through 10/23/20) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective October 1, 2020, the fourth quarter 2020 National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) updates will be implemented for claims processed by TMHP for Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program. [\[link\]](#)

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

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

28 (09/18/20 through 10/09/20) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Providers are allowed to recreate a Texas Medicaid or Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program prior authorization or authorization form to transfer it to an electronic format only if there are no alterations in the form's content or placement of information (field location).

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

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

29 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***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 continue to use version 37.1 of the All Patient Refined-Diagnosis Related Groups (APR-DRG) system.

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 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2020, TMHP will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Medical and Nursing Specialists, Physicians, and Physician's Assistant Handbook, section 9.2.25.10, "Pediatric Pneumogram," and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program Provider Manual, Chapter 31, section 31.2.37.3, "Pediatric Pneumogram," to clarify the limitation of two services per lifetime.

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