
Banner Messages for the 05-16-2022 and 05-20-2022 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 (05/6/22 through 05/27/22) *****Attention All Providers*****

There is an update to the article titled "Update to 'Multiple Medicaid COVID-19 Flexibilities Extended Through April 30, 2022' to Permanently Implement Rural Health Clinic Flexibility," which was posted on tmhp.com on February 28, 2022.

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

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

2 (05/13/22 through 06/03/22) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Beginning July 1, 2022, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Speech Therapy Handbook.

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 (05/13/22 through 06/03/22) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

On March 29, 2022, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration amended the emergency use authorization for the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccine.

Details are available on the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) website at www.tmhp.com.
[\[link\]](#)

Contact vdp-formulary@hhsc.state.tx.us with any comments or questions.

4 (05/20/22 through 06/10/22) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

On July 1, 2022, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will implement the second quarter 2022 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which will be effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2022. Discontinued procedure codes will no longer be considered 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 of any benefit changes in a future article.

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

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5 (05/27/22 through 06/17/22) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning April 25, 2022, Veklury (J0248) is an approved benefit for Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) clients 28 days or older when used in an outpatient setting. Previously, HHSC approved Veklury (remdesivir lyophilized injection) for clients 12 years or older.

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

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6 (05/13/22 through 06/03/22) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Starting May 10, 2022, for dates of service on or after April 1, 2022, the reimbursement rates for drugs with procedure codes C9093 and J9071 will be implemented 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.

7 (05/13/22 through 06/03/22) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

On April 29, 2022, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) made improvements to the Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Portal and updated EVV training materials in the Learning Management System.

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 (05/13/22 through 06/03/22) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Texas Drug Utilization Review Board met Friday, January 21, 2022, to recommend drugs for the Medicaid preferred drug list.

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 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention Medicaid Providers*******

Effective with the end of the federal public health emergency (PHE), the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will end the temporary flexibility that has been allowed for nutritional counseling services.

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 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention Medicaid Providers*******

Effective with the end of the federal public health emergency (PHE), the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will end the temporary flexibility that has been allowed for Early Childhood Intervention specialized skills training.

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 (05/06/22 through 05/27/22) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

On June 10, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will revise the Makena (hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection) authorization request form because the brand name Makena 250 milligram (mg) per milliliter (ml) is no longer eligible for Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) rebates.

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 (05/06/22 through 05/27/22) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Starting May 3, 2022, for dates of service on or after April 1, 2022, the reimbursement rates for some drugs' procedure codes will be implemented 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 (04/22/22 through 05/13/22) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Reminder: Enteral formula prior authorization is based on the number of units of a specific formula provided to a client. A unit is defined as 100 calories of formula.

When a provider submits a prior authorization request for formula, the request should include the number of units per month that are prescribed for the client, not the number of cans or cases provided.

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

14 (05/06/22 through 05/27/22) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers *******

Starting March 31, 2022, for dates of service on or after February 11, 2022, reimbursement rates for COVID-19 monoclonal antibody administration procedure codes M0222 and M0223 will be implemented for Texas Medicaid and 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 Contact Center at 800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

15 (05/06/22 through 05/27/22) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers *******

Starting March 31, 2022, for dates of service on or after December 28, 2021, reimbursement rates for COVID-19 related procedure code C9507 will be implemented for Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

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16 (05/13/22 through 06/03/22) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Since the deployment of the Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS), Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) has heard from many providers and used their feedback to enhance the provider user experience.

The topics listed in this notification highlight the most frequent issues about which providers have indicated they need additional support. This is the sixth edition of this list, following the first edition that was posted on February 28, 2022.

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17 (05/13/22 through 06/03/22) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective February 11, 2022, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued an emergency use authorization (EUA) for the Eli Lilly product bebtelovimab for the treatment of mild to moderate coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in adults and pediatric individuals (12 years of age or older weighing at least 40 kg).

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.

18 (05/06/22 through 05/27/22) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective April 1, 2022, COVID-19 convalescent plasma procedure code C9507 is a benefit of Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for dates of service on or after December 28, 2021.

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

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20 (05/06/22 through 05/27/22) ***Attention All Medicaid, CHIP, and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after February 24, 2022, procedure code Q0221 for AstraZeneca Evusheld (tixagevimab co-packaged with cilgavimab) monoclonal antibody therapy, for COVID-19 preexposure prophylaxis to prevent COVID-19 in adults and pediatric patients 12 years of age or older and weighing at least 40 kg, is a benefit of Medicaid and 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 Contact Center at 800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

21 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention Medicaid and HTW Providers*******

Effective May 31, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will end the temporary flexibility that has been allowed for behavioral health services described below. The following flexibility will no longer be allowed for dates of service beginning June 1, 2022.

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 (05/20/22 through 06/10/22) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after May 1, 2022, some COVID-19 procedure codes are benefits of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for pharmacists and pharmacies.

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 (05/20/22 through 06/10/22) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

On July 1, 2022, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will implement the second quarter 2022 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which will be effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2022. Discontinued procedure codes will no longer be considered 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 of any benefit changes in a future article.

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

24 (5/20/22 through 06/10/22) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers *******

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2022, the reimbursement rates for some procedure codes for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will be updated.

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

25 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after May 1, 2022, procedure codes Q5108 and Q5110 may be reimbursed when submitted with one of the following additional diagnosis codes: C563, C7963, or C847A.

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

26 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention SHARS Providers*******

Effective for dates of service beginning May 1, 2022, for the School Health and Related Services (SHARS) program, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will implement interim guidance in alignment with House Bill (H.B.) 4 (87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021).

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

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

27 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention SHARS Providers*******

Effective May 1, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has authorized providers to submit claims for reimbursement for additional behavioral health services delivered by telemedicine or telehealth modalities.

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

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

28 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention HTW and HTW Plus Providers*******

Effective March 1, 2020 through May 31, 2022, to help ensure continuity of care during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) response, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is authorizing Healthy Texas Women (HTW) providers to bill with modifier 95 for telephone (audio-only) medical (physician delivered) evaluation and management services.

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

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

29 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention HTW and HTW Plus Providers*******

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has authorized telemedicine and telehealth services interim guidance for Healthy Texas Women (HTW) and HTW Plus between May 1, 2022, and August 31, 2022.

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

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

30 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention THSteps Providers*******

Effective with the end of the federal public health emergency (PHE), the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will end the temporary flexibility that has been allowed for Texas Health Steps (THSteps) checkups.

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

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

31 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention ECI Providers*******

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has authorized interim guidance for early childhood intervention (ECI) targeted case management (TCM) services delivered by synchronous audio-visual or telephone (audio-only) technology for dates of service beginning May 1, 2022.

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

32 (04/29/22 through 05/20/22) ***Attention All VDP Pharmacy Providers*******

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) have assumed enrollment processing for the Vendor Drug Program (VDP) through the TMHP Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS).

The Vendor Drug Program is requesting that pharmacies check that their license information is up to date and in compliance with Texas Medicaid enrollment policies. License information includes license type, license number, and license expiration date. Note that these licenses are for pharmacy enrollments, not pharmacist enrollments.

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

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

33 (05/13/22 through 06/03/22) ***Attention Family Planning Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after May 1, 2022, the Family Planning Program (FPP) is authorizing providers to continue to bill the following codes for physician-delivered telephonic (audio only) medical evaluation and management services.

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

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