Banner Messages for the 11-01-21 and 11-05-2021 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 (10/22/21 through 11/19/21) ***** Attention All Providers****

Effective for dates of service on or after September 22, 2021, in accordance with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) amendment to the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), COVID-19 vaccine administration code 0004A is now a benefit of Medicaid, Healthy Texas Women, Family Planning Program, 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.

2 (10/22/21 through 11/12/21) ***** Attention All Providers*****

Starting October 7, 2021, for dates of service on or after September 22, 2021, the reimbursement rates for COVID-19 vaccine administration procedure code 0004A were implemented for Texas Medicaid, the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program, Healthy Texas Women (HTW), and the Family Planning Program (FPP).

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3 (10/15/21 through 11/05/21) ***** Attention All Providers****

On September 24, 2021, TMHP implemented updates to the Claim Status Inquiry Explanation of Pending Status Crosswalk table.

Providers can access the crosswalk table under HIPAA Reference Codes in the Technical Information section on TMHP's Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) web page.

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

4 (10/15/21 through 11/05/21) ***** Attention All Providers****

On September 24, 2021, TMHP implemented updates to the 835 Explanation of Benefits (EOB) Crosswalk table.

Providers can access the crosswalk table under HIPAA Reference Codes in the Technical Information section on TMHP's Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) web page.

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

5 (11/05/21 through 11/26/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

There is an update to an article titled "Update to TMPPM Outpatient Drug Services Handbook Effective November 1, 2021," which was posted on the TMHP website on October 8, 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.

6 (10/29/21 through 11/19/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after September 9, 2021, monoclonal antibody therapy administration codes (procedure codes M0240, M0241, M0243, and M0244) will be payable to additional provider types and places of service.

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 (11/05/21 through 11/26/21) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2021, to align more closely with the intent and scope of the Healthy Texas Women (HTW) program, some provider types and provider specialties will no longer be eligible to enroll as HTW providers and will no longer be reimbursed because the services they provide are not covered under the HTW 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.

8 (11/05/21 through 11/26/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers****

The quarterly Texas National Drug Codes (NDC) to Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Crosswalk is now available for clinician-administered drug (CAD) processing.

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.

9 (11/05/21 through 11/26/21) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers****

Effective for dates of discharge on or after October 1, 2021, Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will map the All Patient Refined-Diagnosis Related Groups (APR-DRG) system to version 39 and process inpatient claims, using Grouper version 38 logic and relative weights.

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.

10 (11/05/21 through 11/26/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers****

The standard dollar amounts (SDAs) for dates of discharge on or after September 1, 2021, are now available for hospitals with the updated universal mean effective October 1, 2021. The SDAs can be found on the Texas Medicaid Acute Care Hospital Reimbursement webpage.

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 (11/05/21 through 11/26/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of discharge on or after October 1, 2021, the universal mean used in outlier calculations for inpatient stays under Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program has changed. The new universal mean is \$10,161.08.

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

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(10/29/21 through 11/19/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers****

The Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Certification and Receipt Form signature requirement waiver has been extended through December 31, 2021. Beginning with dates of service on or after January 1, 2022, this COVID-19 flexibility will end, and the client or guardian signature requirement for the Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Certification and Receipt Form will resume.

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 (11/05/21 through 11/26/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers****

To help ensure continuity of care during the COVID-19 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 December 31, 2021. Beginning with dates of service January 1, 2022 and after, all pre-COVID prior authorization timeframe and submission requirements will resume as outlined in the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual. COVID flexibilities will no longer apply after December 31, 2021.

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14 For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 800-925-9126.(10/29/21 through 11/19/21) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2021, prior authorization criteria will change for chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) t-cell therapy 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.

15 (10/29/21 through 11/19/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers****

The Texas Drug Utilization Review Board quarterly meeting, initially scheduled for Friday, October 22, 2021, has been postponed until November 12, 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.

16 (10/22/21 through 11/12/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers****

Starting October 12, 2021, for dates of service on or after September 1, 2021, reimbursement rates for Cytogenic Constitutional (Genome-wide) Microarray Analysis procedure code 81229 will be implemented. These rates were presented at a public rate hearing on May 25, 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.

17 (10/22/21 through 11/12/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The agenda for the Texas Drug Utilization Review Board meeting on October 22, 2021, 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

18 (10/15/21 through 11/12/21) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers****

The Licensed Behavior Analysts (LBA) Enrollment in Texas Medicaid with Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) Quick Reference Guide is available.

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

19 (10/29/21 through 11/19/21) *****Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2021, the pricing percentage rate for nonemergency emergency room visits at rural hospitals will change from 65 percent to 55 percent.

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

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20 (10/22/21 through 11/12/21) *****Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Federal law requires all providers to revalidate their Medicaid enrollment at least every five years. However, due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has provided extensions to the revalidation date until further notice.

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

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21 (10/22/21 through 11/19/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership's (TMHP) Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS) is coming soon.

Provider enrollment functions will be available through PEMS, and providers must use this new system to enroll in 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

22 (10/15/21 through 11/12/21) *****Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Providers must maintain and update their Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership taxonomy code information with the information they provide to dental maintenance organizations or managed care organizations.

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.

23 (10/22/21 through 11/12/21) *****Attention All Medicaid and Family Planning Program Providers****

On September 21, 2021, TMHP implemented the third quarter 2021 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which were effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 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.

24 (10/22/21 through 11/12/21) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2021, providers must use the updated CSHCN Services Program Prior Authorization Request for Medical Nutritional Products 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 800-568-2413.

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25 (10/22/21 through 11/12/21) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers *****

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2021, 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.

26 (10/08/21 through 11/05/21) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers****

This is an update to the article titled "Client Signature Requirement on CSHCN Documentation of Receipt Waived Through September 30, 2021," which was posted on the TMHP website on August 31, 2021.

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 October 31, 2021.

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

27 (10/08/21 through 11/05/21) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers****

This is an update to the article titled "CSHCN COVID-19 Telehealth and Telemedicine Extensions through September 30, 2021," which was published on this website on September 1, 2021. The Texas Health and Human Services Commission is extending this flexibility through December 31, 2021, because it includes teleservices that are being analyzed in alignment with House Bill 4.

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

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