
Banner Messages for the 01-11-2021 and 01-15-2021 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 (01/15/21 through 01/22/21) *****Attention All Providers*****

Monday, January 18, 2021, is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, 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, January 25, 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.

2 (01/08/21 through 01/29/21) *****Attention All Providers*****

The 2021 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) additions and deletions that are effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021, are now available in the 2021 HCPCS Special Bulletin No. 19, on the Rate and Code Updates - HCPCS Updates page of tmhp.com. Deleted procedure codes are no longer benefits of Texas Medicaid or 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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3 (01/01/21 through 01/22/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

There is a correction to the article titled "Reimbursement Rate Updates for Procedure Codes 86328, 86769, and 87426 Effective January 1, 2020."

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

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4 (01/08/21 through 02/05/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective October 1, 2020, the Home Telemonitoring Services Prior Authorization Request form and Home Telemonitoring Services Prior Authorization Request Form Instructions were updated. The updated form includes a new section for providers to enter appropriate procedure code and frequency. Beginning March 1, 2021, Home Telemonitoring Services Prior Authorization Request forms that are submitted with procedure code and frequency not entered in the required field will be rejected.

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 (01/08/21 through 01/29/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after March 1, 2021, immobilized lipase cartridges (procedure code B4105) will become a benefit of Texas Medicaid.

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

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6 (01/01/21 through 01/22/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after March 1, 2021, medical physics consultations (procedure codes 77336 and 77370) will become benefits of 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 (12/25/20 through 01/15/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Texas Medicaid will publish the semi-annual update of the Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL) on January 28, 2020. Texas Health and Human Services Commission based the update on changes presented and recommended at the July 2020 and October 2020 Texas Drug Utilization Review Board meetings. Drug list decisions from both the July and October meetings are 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.

8 (12/25/20 through 01/22/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers *******

Effective January 15, 2021, the Online Fee Lookup will be updated to display the message "Payable at Contracted Rate," instead of "Not Payable," for certain searches for outpatient claims paid to providers who receive a contracted rate.

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 (12/25/20 through 01/15/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning February 4, 2021, Texas Medicaid will no longer subject Oseni, a combination of Thiazolidinediones (TZD) and Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 inhibitor drug, to the TZD clinical prior authorization criteria.

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 (12/18/20 through 01/08/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2021, prior authorization criteria for Mepolizumab (Nucala) 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.

11 (12/25/20 through 01/15/21) ***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.

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 (01/08/21 through 02/05/21) ***Attention All VDP Providers *******

Vendor Drug Program (VDP) pharmacy enrollment is moving to Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP). Beginning in February 2021, TMHP will assume pharmacy provider enrollment functions for VDP through a new online provider portal, the TMHP Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS).

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 (01/08/21 through 02/12/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

The updated Medical Transportation Program (MTP) computer-based training (CBT) is available on the TMHP Learning Management System (LMS) 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

14 (01/08/21 through 02/05/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective December 3, 2020, for dates of service on or after November 9, 2020, procedure codes Q0239 and M0239 have been added for Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for the treatment of COVID-19.

Effective December 15, 2020, for dates of service on or after November 21, 2020, procedure codes Q0243 and M0243 have been added for Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for the treatment of COVID-19.

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

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15 (01/01/21 through 01/22/21) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Due to the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency, effective December 18, 2020, the Texas Optometry Board has issued an emergency rule extending the license expiration dates if the provider has met all the requirements outlined in the emergency rule.

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.

16 (01/01/20 through 01/15/20) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is implementing 21 new surgical procedure codes for ICD-10 COVID-19 therapeutics and vaccines, including antibody treatments and immunomodulators.

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.

17 (12/25/20 through 01/15/21) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective January 1, 2021, the first quarter 2021 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.

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 (12/18/2020 through 01/15/21) *** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

There is an update to the article titled, "Provider Enrollment Revalidation Due Dates Extended in Response to COVID-19 Emergency," which was published on the TMHP website on April 1, 2020.

Details are available 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.

19 (12/25/20 through 01/22/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

The enrollment application fee for institutional providers for the calendar year 2021 has increased to \$599.

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

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20 (12/18/20 through 01/15/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Service 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 January 21, 2021, or through January 31, 2021, if the federal public health emergency continues beyond January 21, 2021.

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

21 (12/25/20 through 01/22/21) ***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 January 21, 2021, or through January 31, 2021, if the federal public health emergency continues beyond January 21, 2021.

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 (12/25/20 through 01/15/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2021, growth hormone injection benefits 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 (12/25/20 through 01/22/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2021, the 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 (01/08/21 through 01/29/21) ***Attention All Medicaid, Family Planning, and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

On February 11, 2021, and February 18, 2021, TMHP will conduct live webinars for newly enrolled providers. The webinars will feature important information for new providers to ensure their success and compliance with Texas Medicaid. These webinars will also serve as a refresher for existing providers.

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-Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

25 (01/01/20 through 01/15/20) ***Attention All Medicaid, HTW, Family Planning Program and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective December 18, 2020, in accordance with the Food and Drug Administration's issuance of Emergency Use Authorization for the Moderna COVID 19 Vaccine, vaccine administration procedure codes 0011A and 0012A are benefits for Medicaid, Healthy Texas Women, Family Planning Program, and the Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program for individuals who are 18 years of age and older. Vaccine procedure code 91301 is informational only while the vaccine is distributed to providers free of charge.

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

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26 (01/08/21 through 01/22/21) ***Attention All Medicaid, Family Planning Program and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) is implementing six new diagnosis codes into the *International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM)*.

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.

27 (01/15/21 through 01/22/21) ***Attention All HTW Providers*******

Effective October 1, 2020, for dates of service on or after June 25, 2020, COVID-19 testing procedure code 87426 became a benefit of the Healthy Texas Women program.

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.