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## Banner Messages for the 03-11-2022 and 03-18-2022 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](http://www.tmhp.com).

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## Total Messages (31)

### **1 (03/11/22 through 4/8/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Texas Medicaid is conducting a utilization review of inpatient claims with dates of service from January 29, 2020, through December 16, 2021, to determine whether the claims were paid outside the spell-of-illness limitation, which is 30 days of inpatient hospital care.

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

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

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### **2 (03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Beginning May 1, 2022, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Durable Medical Equipment, Medical Supplies, and Nutritional Products Handbook, section 2.2.14.10, "Hospital Beds and Equipment Procedure Code Table," to update the limitations for procedure codes E0188 and E0189.

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

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**3 (03/18/22 through 04/08/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

On May 31, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will stop using the Texas Medicaid Standing Order for Mosquito Repellent. Medicaid-enrolled providers must issue a prescription for patients to access mosquito-repellent products through the pharmacy benefit for Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and Healthy Texas Women (HTW).

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**(03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

On April 5, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will revise the phosphate binder non-preferred prior authorization criteria by transferring specific criteria to the phosphate binders clinical prior authorization.

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

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**5 (03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

On April 5, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will make the following revisions to various medications within the Cytokine and CAM Antagonists clinical prior authorization criteria to ensure alignment with US Food and Drug Administration approved indications.

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

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**6 (03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

On April 5, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will revise the prior authorization criteria in the Sickle Cell Disease Agents clinical prior authorization for Oxbryta (voxelotor), to ensure alignment with the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved indications and package inserts.

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**7 (03/04/22 through 03/25/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

There is an update to the article titled "Multiple Medicaid COVID-19 Flexibilities Extended Through April 30, 2022," which was posted on the TMHP website on January 20, 2022.

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

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**8 (03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

There is a correction to an article titled "Reimbursement Rate Changes and Updates for Texas Medicaid Procedure Codes Effective March 1, 2022," which was published on the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) website on January 14, 2022. The article listed incorrect reimbursement rates for substance abuse disorder services.

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

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**9 (03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

On February 11, 2022, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) made improvements to the Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Portal and updated the related training materials in the TMHP Learning Management System (LMS).

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

For more information, contact [evv@tmhp.com](mailto:evv@tmhp.com).

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**10 (2/25/22 through 3/18/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2022, reimbursement rate updates for procedure codes will be implemented. These updates were presented at a public rate hearing on January 12, 2022.

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

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

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**11 (02/25/22 through 03/18/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective January 1, 2022, a new place of service (POS) code (code 10) is available for providers who provide telehealth services to patients who attend the telehealth appointments in their own homes.

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

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**(03/04/22 through 03/25/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective April 1, 2022, TMHP will add a new taxonomy code associated with Family Planning Program providers rendering complex family planning services for Texas Medicaid.

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

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

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**13 (3/18/22 through 04/08/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers \*\*\*\*\***

Beginning February 8, 2022, for dates of service on or after January 3, 2022, the reimbursement rates for COVID-19 Vaccine Administration 0073A 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](http://www.tmhp.com). [[link](#)]

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**14 (03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

On March 4, 2022, TMHP implemented updates to the 835 Explanation of Benefits (EOB) Crosswalk table.

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

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**15 (03/04/22 through 03/25/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Abbott has initiated a voluntary recall of specific lots of Similac products (including Alimentum, Total Comfort, Spit Up, and Sensitive) and Elecare powdered formulas. Isomil, Neosure, and Similac PM 60/40 are not impacted.

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

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**16 (03/04/22 through 03/25/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

There is an update to the article titled "Texas Medicaid Guidance in Response to Abbott's Voluntary Recall of Certain Powdered Formulas," which was posted on the TMHP website on February 28, 2022.

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

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**17 (03/04/22 through 03/25/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

In the nearly 80 days since the December 13, 2021, deployment of the Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS) system, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) has heard from many providers and used their feedback to enhance the provider user experience. This update highlights the most frequent topics about which providers have communicated a need for additional support or functionality, and is the first of a number of updates which will be issued over the next few weeks. TMHP will be increasing the frequency of updates such as this one in order to share added training modalities, system enhancements, and system changes, all designed to improve functionality based on provider feedback and post-deployment observations.

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

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**18 (02/25/22 through 03/18/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program 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](http://www.tmhp.com). [[link](#)]

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

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**19 (02/25/22 through 03/18/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

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

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**20 (02/25/22 through 03/18/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

What is a CHOW and How LTC Fits into PEMS videos have been added to the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership's (TMHP's) Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS) playlist on YouTube.

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

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**21 (02/25/22 through 03/18/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Due to the recent transition to the new Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS), all applications submitted through the previous enrollment system, Provider Enrollment on the Portal (PEP), were expected to be completed by February 15, 2022. This transition date has been extended to March 15, 2022.

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

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**22 (02/25/22 through 03/18/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

There is a voluntary recall of Similac products (including Total Comfort, Spit Up, and Sensitive), Alimentum, and Elecare. Isomil and Neosure are not impacted. The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has been in contact with Abbott and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (USDA) about the recall and is working to determine what actions will need to be undertaken.

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

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**23 (2/25/22 through 3/18/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers \*\*\*\*\***

Beginning February 10, 2022, for dates of service on or after October 29, 2021, COVID-19 vaccine administration add-on procedure code M0201 is a benefit for clients 5 years of age or older for Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

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**24 (02/25/22 through 03/18/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Reminder: Effective September 1, 2021, providers may no longer use their Texas Provider Identifiers (TPIs) when submitting paper claims. The TPI fields have been removed from claim forms, electronic data interchange (EDI) forms, and instructions.

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

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**25 (03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Beginning May 1, 2022, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will update the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program Provider Manual to add prior authorization and reimbursement language for restorative dental services.

Details are available on the TMHP website at [www.tmhp.com](http://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.

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**26 (02/25/22 through 03/18/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers \*\*\*\*\***

Beginning January 27, 2022, for dates of service on or after January 1, 2022, procedure code J9312 Rituximab will be a benefit of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

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

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**27 (2/25/22 through 3/18/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers \*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after April 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.

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**28 (03/11/22 through 04/01/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Texas Health Steps Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Beginning May 1, 2022, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Children's Services Handbook section 3.2.15, "Restorative Services."

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

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

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**29 (03/04/22 through 03/25/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Texas Health Steps Providers\*\*\*\*\***

The Texas Health Steps Quick Reference Guide will be updated. In the "Immunizations Administered" column, pneumococcal vaccine procedure codes 90671 and 90677 will be added.

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

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

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**30 (03/04/22 through 03/25/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid, HTW, FPP and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after January 3, 2022, COVID-19 vaccine administration codes 0051A, 0052A, 0053A, and 0054A are a benefit of Medicaid, Healthy Texas Women (HTW), the Family Planning Program (FPP), and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for the administration of the first, second, third (additional), and booster doses, respectively, of the tris-sucrose formulation of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine for individuals 12 years of age and older.

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

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**31 (03/04/22 through 03/25/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Rural Health Clinic Providers\*\*\*\*\***

Effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 2022, rural health clinic (RHC) providers performing patient-site telemedicine services may be reimbursed for the facility fee (procedure code Q3014) as an add-on procedure code. Distant-site telemedicine and telehealth services provided by RHC providers, as allowed in response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) public health emergency, will also become a permanent benefit of Texas Medicaid when submitted with procedure code T1015.

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

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