
Banner Messages for the 08-09-2021 and 08-13-2021 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 (08/13/21 through 09/03/21) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

There is a correction to the article titled "Vision Services-Nonsurgical Benefits to Change Effective September 1, 2021," which was published on the TMHP website on July 16, 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.

2 (07/30/21 through 08/27/21) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers *****

Multiple Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP) COVID-19 flexibilities have been extended through August 31, 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.

3 (07/26/21 through 08/30/21) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2022, the reimbursement rates for autism services procedure codes 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.

4 (07/30/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective July 20, 2021, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2021, the reimbursement rate for some procedure codes for Texas Medicaid will be 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.

5 (07/30/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2020, claims submitted for services with Modifier GZ for Texas Medicaid will be denied.

Services submitted with modifier GZ are not covered and considered not reasonable or necessary.

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 (07/30/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Texas Pharmacy Prior Authorization Call Center fax number (866-617-8864) is currently experiencing technical issues. It cannot receive or send faxes related to Medicaid fee-for-service pharmacy prior authorization requests.

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 (07/23/21 through 08/27/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2021, total disc arthroplasty (cervical) will be a benefit 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.

8 (07/23/21 through 08/13/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning September 1, 2021, procedure codes 64486, 64487, 64488, and 64489 (for transversus abdominis plane block services), will become benefits for providers who render surgery and ambulatory surgical center services to Texas Medicaid clients in an inpatient or outpatient hospital setting.

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 (07/23/21 through 08/13/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning July 30, 2021, Licensed Behavior Analyst (LBA) providers can submit provider enrollment applications for Texas Medicaid through Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership.

LBA providers will be required to have a national provider identifier (NPI) before enrolling 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.

10 (07/23/21 through 08/13/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2021, diabetic equipment and supplies benefits will change 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 (07/23/21 through 08/13/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2021, additional testing time for ingestion challenge tests (procedure code 95079) will become a benefit 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.

12 (07/23/21 through 08/13/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2021, lung cancer screening benefits will change 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 (07/23/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

TMHP has identified an issue that affects claims with some emergency and non-emergency ambulance transport procedure codes for dates of service from June 7, 2019 through April 16, 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.

14 (07/23/21 through 08/30/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2021, procedure code 81229 for cytogenetic constitutional microarray analysis, also called genomic or chromosomal microarray, will become a benefit of Texas Medicaid for laboratory 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.

15 (08/13/21 through 08/27/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) is in the process of rolling out the Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS). Providers must use this new system to enroll.

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 (08/13/21 through 08/27/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Beginning September 1, 2021, providers will no longer be required to use their Texas Provider Identifiers (TPI) for submitting paper claims, paper prior authorization requests, or for calling TMHP. In addition, the TPIs will be removed from prior authorization forms, claim forms and instructions.

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 (07/30/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

There is an update to the article titled "Third Update to 'HHSC to Reopen Respiratory Syncytial Virus Season for Select Texas Regions.'"

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 (07/30/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

On June 14, 2021, Philips Respironics initiated a voluntary recall notification for specific models of continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP), bilevel positive airway pressure (BPAP), and mechanical ventilator devices to ensure patient safety.

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.

19 (07/30/21 through 08/27/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Coming Soon: Effective September 1, 2021, the Texas Provider Identifier number will be removed from prior authorization forms and instructions, and claim forms that currently contain this identifier.

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.

20 (07/30/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective June 1, 2021, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership has been processing medical transportation claims for Demand Response Transportation Services (DRTS) providers statewide for clients enrolled in Medicaid fee-for-service, Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program, and Transportation for Indigent Cancer Patients. Providers must use the new procedure code T2003 when submitting claims for reimbursement.

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 (07/23/21 through 08/13/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective June 18, 2021, for dates of service on or after May 26, 2021, procedure codes M0247 and Q0247 have been added for Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program. Effective June 18, 2021, for dates of service on or after June 3, 2021, procedure code Q0244 has been added as informational for Texas Medicaid and the CSHCN Services 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

22 (07/23/21 through 08/13/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

This is a clarification for providers whose processed claims displayed an extra detail line. The affected claims were between April and May 2021. This detail line displays \$0.00 charge amount and \$0.00 paid amount and may display denial explanation of benefits. This extra detail line was inserted due to a temporary system issue, but it does not change the overall disposition of the claim or the claim payment.

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 (08/13/21 through 09/03/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers *******

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2021, the reimbursement rates for some procedure codes for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program will be implemented.

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

24 (08/06/21 through 08/27/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

The Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program reimbursement for previously identified telemedicine and telehealth services has been extended for dates of service through August 31, 2021, unless the federal public health emergency ends sooner.

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

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

25 (07/30/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers *******

Effective for dates of service on or after August 1, 2021, reimbursement rates for some third quarter 2020 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) procedure codes will be implemented for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

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

26 (07/23/21 through 08/20/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective for dates of service on or after September 1, 2021, total disc arthroplasty 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.

27 (07/23/21 through 08/13/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

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

28 (08/06/21 through 08/27/21) ***Attention All Texas Health Steps Providers*******

The Texas Health Steps Quick Reference Guide will be updated. Under the column titled "Immunizations Administered," the Ebola virus vaccine procedure code 90758 will be added.

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 (07/26/21 through 08/30/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and Family Planning Program Providers*******

Healthy Texas Women and Family Planning Program COVID-19 related flexibilities have been extended through August 31, 2021. HHSC will provide more information if there are changes.

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 (08/06/21 through 08/27/21) ***Attention All CHIP Providers*******

There is an update to the article titled, "CHIP Copayments Waived Through July 31, 2021," which was posted on the TMHP website on June 28, 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.