## Banner Messages for the 10-03-2022 and 10-07-2022 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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## Total Messages (30)

## 1 (09/30/22 through 10/14/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Monday, October 10, 2022, is Columbus Day, which is a bank holiday. As a result, electronic fund transfer (EFT) payments may be delayed by one business day. Providers that receive EFT payments can expect to receive funds by Monday, October 17, 2022.

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 (08/26/22 through 11/16/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Providers\*\*\*\*\*

On August 15, 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. [link]

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## 3 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Beginning with the fall traditional respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) season, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will implement revised approval criteria for palivizumab (Synagis) subsequent dosing (renewals). Providers will no longer be required to check a client's weight or confirm the administration of a previous dosing.

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

## 4 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has revised the clinical criteria for anxiolytics and sedatives/hypnotics (ASH), attention deficit disorder/attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADD/ADHD), and Qelbree prior authorizations based on recent U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved indications. HHSC will implement the revisions on October 26, 2022, for Medicaid feefor-service.

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

## 5 (09/30/22 through 10/21/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

To help ensure continuity of care during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) response, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is authorizing providers to bill the following procedure codes for telephone (audio-only) medical (physician-delivered) evaluation and management services delivered from March 20, 2020, through October 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.

## 6 (09/30/22 through 10/21/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

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

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 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective for dates of service on or after October 3, 2022, TMHP will update age and diagnosis restrictions for cabotegravir and rilpivirine (Cabenuva) (procedure code J0741) and pegaspargase (Oncaspar) (procedure code J9266).

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 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

On September 29, 2022, TMHP implemented the third quarter 2022 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which will be effective for dates of service on or after October 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.

## 9 (09/23/22 through 10/14/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective August 31, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will cover the new bivalent Moderna COVID-19 booster vaccine as a payable pharmacy benefit.

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

## 10 (09/23/22 through 10/14/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective August 31, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will cover the new bivalent Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 booster vaccine as a payable pharmacy benefit.

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

#### 11 (09/30/22 through 10/21/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Home and Community-based Services (HCS) program providers, Texas Home Living (TxHmL) program providers, and financial management services agencies (FMSAs) must use the correct Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes and modifier combinations when submitting Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) claims for in-home day habilitation.

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

For more information, email the TMHP EVV Mailbox at evv@tmhp.com.

## 12 (09/23/22 through 10/14/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Reminder: Providers must complete their revalidation enrollment before the end of their enrollment period. Providers can revalidate their enrollment in the Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS) up to 120 calendar days before their current revalidation due date.

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 (09/30/22 through 10/21/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Beginning October 11, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will revise step one of the preferred drug list (PDL) prior authorization criteria guides for the beta-agonist bronchodilator and the glucagon agents drug classes.

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

Email questions or comments to vdp-formulary@hhsc.state.tx.us.

#### 14 (09/23/22 through 10/14/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

If nursing facility principals or owners hold an expired Nursing Facility Administrator (NFA) license because of Texas Unified Licensure Information Portal (TULIP) functionality, they should default the expiration date to 12/31/9999 within the Ownership/Controlling interest tab in the 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.

## 15 (09/30/22 through 10/21/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective September 26, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has temporarily removed the nonpreferred status on the preferred drug list (PDL) for the following generic product: clonidine transdermal patches.

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

#### 16 (09/30/22 through 10/21/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2022, additional criteria will be added for prior authorization requests for an onasemnogene abeparvovec-xioi (Zolgensma) single-dose intravenous infusion.

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

#### 17 (09/30/22 through 10/14/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

On October 1, 2022, the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Outpatient Drug Services 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.

#### 18 (09/09/22 through 10/07/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

On September 12, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will remove the Drug Regimen Optimization clinical prior authorization criteria for Medicaid.

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

#### 19 (09/16/22 through 10/07/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Beginning September 1, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will close the 2022 respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) summer season for specific regions in Texas. HHSC based these changes on RSV testing data reviewed for the 11 public health service regions and recommendations from the Texas Pediatric Society's RSV Task Force.

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

#### 20 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22) \*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and Medicaid Managed Care Providers\*\*\*\*

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission has identified an error that was made ending some clients' eligibility on March 1, 2020. This error occurred during the public health emergency (PHE). The Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) has been directed to reprocess all claims for dates of service on or after March 1, 2020, for those impacted clients. When the claims are reprocessed, providers may receive additional payment, which will be reflected on the Remittance and Status (R&S) Report.

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

## 21 (09/30/22 through 10/21/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid, HTW, FPP, and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*

Effective for dates of service on or after August 31, 2022, in accordance with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's emergency use authorization, COVID-19 vaccine administration codes 0124A and 0134A are benefits 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 Pfizer COVID-19 Omicron-specific booster vaccine to individuals 12 years of age or older and the Moderna COVID-19 Omicron-specific booster vaccine to individuals 18 years of age or older.

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 (09/16/22 through 10/07/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention Medicaid, HTW, FPP and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*

There is an update to the article titled "COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Procedure Codes 0041A and 0042A Are Now Benefits" that was published on August 3, 2022. Effective for dates of service on or after August 19, 2022, the age range for COVID-19 vaccine administration codes 0041A and 0042A has changed from 18 years of age or older to 12 years of age or older.

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 (09/30/22 through 10/21/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*

Since the deployment of the Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS), the 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 that providers have indicated they need additional support for. This is the sixteenth edition of this list, following the first edition that was posted on February 28, 2022.

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

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#### 24 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22) \*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*

Effective October 1, 2022, the fourth quarter National Correct Coding Initiative updates will be implemented for claims processed by the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (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.

## 25 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22)\*\*\*\*\*Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*

Reminder: Effective October 1, 2022, TMHP will update the description of some taxonomy codes for allopathic and osteopathic physicians, pediatrics, and neurodevelopmental disabilities 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-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

#### 26 (09/16/22 through 10/07/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*

Since the deployment of the Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS), the 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 that providers have indicated they need additional support for. This is the fifteenth edition of this list, following the first edition that was posted on February 28, 2022.

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#### 27 (09/16/22 through 10/07/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*

Beginning August 25, 2022, for dates of service between March 11, 2021, and March 14, 2021, and for dates of service on or after March 15, 2021, the reimbursement rates for COVID-19 vaccine administration procedure codes for dental providers will be implemented for Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

Details are available on the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (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.

#### 28 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\*

Effective October 1, 2022, diagnosis restrictions will be updated for injection procedure codes J1742, J9245, and J9246.

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.

#### 29 (10/07/22 through 10/28/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers\*\*\*\*\*

On September 29, 2022, TMHP implemented the third quarter 2022 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which will be effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2022.

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

## 30 (09/16/22 through 10/07/22) \*\*\*\*\* Attention Texas Health Steps Providers\*\*\*\*\*

On November 1, 2022, the Texas Medicaid and Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual (TMPPM), Children's Services Handbook section 3.2.21, "Adjunctive General Services," to add prior authorization language for therapeutic dental procedure codes D9248 and D9612.

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

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