
Banner Messages for the 10-25-21 and 10-29-2021 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.

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5 (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.

6 (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.

7 (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 Cytogenetic 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.

8 (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.

9 (10/08/21 through 10/29/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Program Providers*******

On November 1, 2021, TMHP will update the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual, Durable Medical Equipment and Supplies Handbook, subsection 2.2.18.1, "Enteral Nutritional Products, Feeding Pumps, and Feeding Supplies," to clarify coverage for procedure code B9998.

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 (10/08/21 through 10/29/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

Beginning November 1, 2021, TMHP will update benefit language in 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.

11 (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](#)]

12 (10/08/21 through 10/29/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

To help ensure continuity of care during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) response, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) 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.

13 (10/08/21 through 10/29/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

As part of the continued response to COVID-19 (coronavirus), the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will waive Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) co-payments through October 31, 2021, unless the public health emergency ends sooner. HHSC will provide more information if there are changes. The waiver applies to medical office visit co-payments 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.

14 (10/08/21 through 10/29/21) ***Attention All Medicaid Providers*******

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will revise the Alinia (nitazoxanide) clinical prior authorization criteria on November 23, 2021.

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

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15 (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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16 (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](#)]

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17 (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](#)]

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18 (10/08/21 through 10/29/21) ***Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

Effective October 1, 2021, the fourth 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.

19 (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.

20 (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.

21 (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.

22 (10/08/21 through 10/29/21) ***Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*******

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

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23 (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.

24 (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.
