Banner Messages for the 11-29-21 and 12-03-2021 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.

Copyright Acknowledgments

Use of the AMA's copyrighted CPT[®] is allowed in this publication with the following disclosure:

"Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) is copyright 2020 American Medical Association. All rights reserved. No fee schedules, basic units, relative values, or related listings are included in CPT. The AMA assumes no other health insurance liability for the data contained herein. Applicable Federal Acquisition Regulation System/Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (FARS/DFARS) apply."

The American Dental Association requires the following copyright notice in all publications containing Current Dental Terminology (CDT) codes:

"Current Dental Terminology (including procedure codes, nomenclature, descriptors, and other data contained therein) is copyright © 2020 American Dental Association. All Rights Reserved. Applicable FARS/DFARS apply."

Microsoft Corporation requires the following notice in publications containing trademarked product names:

"Microsoft[®] and Windows[®] are either registered trademarks or trademarks of Microsoft Corporation in the United States and/or other countries."

Total Messages (27)

1 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after October 20, 2021, in accordance with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration amendments to the Emergency Use Authorizations, COVID-19 vaccine administration procedure codes 0034A and 0064A are benefits of Medicaid, Healthy Texas Women, the 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 (11/19/21 through 12/10/21) ***** Attention All Providers*****

Effective January 1, 2022, for dates of service on or after January 1, 2022, TMHP will apply the 2022 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System additions, changes, and deletions. Deleted procedure codes will no longer be benefits of Texas Medicaid or the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

The information will be available on the TMHP website at www.tmhp.com on January 1, 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.

3 (11/12/21 through 12/03/21) ***** Attention All Providers*****

Starting November 9, 2021, for dates of service on or after October 20, 2021, the reimbursement rates for COVID-19 vaccine administration procedure codes 0034A and 0064A were implemented for Medicaid, the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program, Healthy Texas Women (HTW), and the Family Planning Program (FPP).

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 (12/03/21 through 12/24/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will remove some products from the Promethazine/Promethazine Containing Products Prior Authorization Criteria Guide.

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 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Starting November 23, 2021, for dates of service on or after October 1, 2021, the reimbursement rates for drug procedure codes will be implemented 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 (12/03/21 through 12/24/21) *****Attention All Medicaid Providers****

TMHP has updated the limitation for diabetic equipment and supplies procedure code A9276.

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 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective November 22, 2021, licensed behavior analysts (LBAs) must attest to where services will be provided so that the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) can determine applicable site visit requirements for enrollment 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.

8 (11/19/21 through 12/10/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

There is an update to an article titled "Register Now for Texas Medicaid Autism Services Policy Webinars," which was published on September 30, 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.

9 (11/19/21 through 12/10/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Starting November 9, 2021, for dates of service on or after October 1, 2021, reimbursement rates for drug procedure codes will be implemented 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.

10 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The Texas Medicaid Provider Procedure Manual (TMPPM) will be updated with the Autism Services Policy language on February 1, 2022. Autism Services is a covered service of the Texas Health Steps -Comprehensive Care Program (THSteps-CCP) for Texas Medicaid recipients who are 20 years of age or younger and meet the criteria outlined in the Medicaid Autism Services Policy.

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 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2021, prior authorization criteria will change for monoclonal antibody 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.

12 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Texas Medicaid is conducting a utilization review of inpatient claims with dates of service from September 29, 2019, through August 25, 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. [link]

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

13 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

On January 3, 2022, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will remove the specialist requirement from 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.

14 (11/12/21 through 12/03/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective September 1, 2021, providers are no longer required to use their Texas Provider Identifiers (TPIs) for submitting paper claims and paper prior authorization requests or for calling TMHP. The TPI fields have been removed from prior authorization forms, instructions, and consent forms. Providers must stop using TPIs by December 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.

15 (11/12/21 through 12/03/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will publish an update to the Texas Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL) on Monday, November 15, 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.

16 (11/19/21 through 12/10/12) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

The Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership's (TMHP's) 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 and other state health-care programs.

PEMS training materials and informational videos are 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.

17 (11/19/21 through 12/10/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Effective for dates of service on or after October 29, 2021, in accordance with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, vaccine administration procedure codes 0071A and 0072A are benefits of Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program for individuals 5 through 11 years of age. Vaccine procedure code 91307 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]

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 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Starting November 9, 2021, for dates of service on or after October 29, 2021, the reimbursement rates for COVID-19 vaccine administration procedure codes 0071A and 0072A will be implemented for Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.

19 (11/19/21 through 12/10/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

TMHP has scheduled an extended system maintenance outage beginning Friday, December 10, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. and ending at 11:59 p.m., Sunday, December 12, 2021.

All web-based applications and functions are unavailable during a system maintenance outage.

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 (11/12/21 through 12/03/21) *****Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Effective November 12, 2021, the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) has added Type of Assistance and Description to the Medicaid Client Portal - Client Eligibility display.

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 (11/12/21 through 12/10/21) ***** 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. Transition period timeframes and implementation dates have been determined. During the transition period of December 1, 2021 through December 12, 2021, paper or electronic enrollment applications, fax requests, paper or electronic maintenance requests, or requests submitted through Provider Enrollment on the Portal (PEP) or Provider Information Management System (PIMS) should not be submitted, because they will not be accepted. The last day to submit any of the above items is November 30, 2021.

Details on the new system, and timeframes for transitioning into the system 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 (11/12/21 through 12/03/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Effective September 1, 2021, providers are no longer required to use their Texas Provider Identifiers (TPIs) for submitting paper claims and paper prior authorization requests or for calling TMHP. The TPI fields have been removed from claim forms, electronic data interchange (EDI) forms, and instructions. Providers must stop using TPIs by December 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 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 800-568-2413.

23 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All Medicaid and LTC Program Providers*****

Beginning December 13, 2021, Long-term Care (LTC) Texas Medicaid enrollment applicants and existing Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) contractors must go to the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) website to use the new Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS) if they want to enroll or revalidate as a Texas Medicaid provider for LTC contracts or to continue contracting with HHSC.

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

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

24 (11/26/21 through 12/17/21) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers *****

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2021, the reimbursement rates for some drug procedure codes will be updated 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.

25 (11/12/21 through 12/03/21) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*****

Effective September 1, 2021, providers are no longer required to use their Texas Provider Identifiers (TPIs) for submitting paper claims and paper prior authorization requests or for calling TMHP. The TPI fields have been removed from Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program authorization forms, prior authorization forms, miscellaneous forms, and form instructions. Providers must stop using TPIs by December 1, 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.

26 (11/12/21 through 12/03/21) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*****

There is an update to the article titled "Guidance for Providers Regarding New and initial Prior Authorizations," published September 30, 2021 on this website.

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 (12/03/21 through 12/24/21) ***** Attention HTW Providers*****

Effective January 1, 2022, for dates of service on or after September 1, 2020, medication-assisted treatment drug procedure codes J2315, Q9991, and Q9992 will be benefits of Healthy Texas Women (HTW) Plus.

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

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