Banner Messages for the 09-07-2020 and 09-11-2020 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 (09/04/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Providers*****

Monday, September 7, 2020, is Labor Day, which is a bank holiday. As a result, electronic funds transfer (EFT) payments may be delayed by one business day. Providers that receive EFT payments can expect funds by Monday, September 14, 2020.

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 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Providers*****

This is a reminder that the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) website will have a new look and new features beginning September 14, 2020. Changes users may notice on the site are improved search functionality, easier access to common resources, easier website navigation, and compatibility with tablet and mobile devices for a better online experience.

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.

3 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Providers*****

Effective August 13, 2020, for dates of service on or after March 1, 2020, reimbursement rates for COVID-19 related procedure code C9803 will be updated for Texas Medicaid, Healthy Texas Women, Family Planning Program, and the Children with Special Health Care Needs 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.

4 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The standard dollar amounts for dates of discharge on or after September 1, 2020, are now available for hospitals, including some children's and rural hospitals.

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.

5 (09/01/20 through 09/25/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective August 18, 2020, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code J3399 (Zolgensma) has been 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.

6 (09/01/20 through 09/25/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective August 25, 2020, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code J9177 (Enfortumab) has been 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.

7 (09/01/20 through 09/25/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers *****

This is an update to the article titled, "Medicaid and CHIP Allocation: Deadline to Apply for CARES Act Extended to August 28, 2020," which was posted on this website on August 5, 2020. The deadline to apply for the Federal CARES Act Provider Relief Phase 2 Funding has been extended to Sunday, September 13, 2020. Interested providers are encouraged to apply.

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 (09/04/20 through 09/25/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Reminder: Providers must complete their revalidation enrollment before the end of their enrollment period. Providers can revalidate their enrollment up to 90 days before their deadlines through Provider Enrollment on the Portal, available on the TMHP website. Providers who are unable to revalidate online must download and submit the appropriate paper enrollment application.

Providers who do not complete the revalidation process by their deadlines will be disenrolled from all Texas state health-care programs; claims and prior authorization requests will be denied.

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 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

On August 28, 2020, TMHP made improvements to the Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Portal and TexMedConnect. TMHP has created a demonstration of the EVV Portal changes and updated the related training materials.

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

For more information, contact evv@tmhp.com.

10 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective October 20, 2020, renal dialysis providers will no longer be reimbursed for some revenue codes.

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 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The Vendor Drug Program (VDP) temporarily removed the non-preferred status in the "Hypoglycemics, Insulins" drug class on April 1, 2020, in response to reported drug shortages for insulin products. VDP will reverse this change in status when there is sufficient availability in the market.

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 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The Vendor Drug Program temporarily removed the non-preferred status in the "Glucocorticoids, Inhaled" drug class on April 1, 2020, in response to reported drug shortages for insulin products. VDP will reverse this change in status when there is sufficient availability in the market.

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 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

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14 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

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15 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers****

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

16 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers****

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

17 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Beginning September 1, 2020, the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual (TMPPM) Clinician-Administered Drugs Handbook will be renamed Outpatient Drug Services Handbook. Additionally, the contents of Appendix B: Vendor Drug Program, currently located in Volume 1 of the TMPPM, will be merged into the renamed 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 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective August 13, 2020, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code J0791 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.

19 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The Texas Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board met July 24, 2020, to make recommendations for Medicaid clinical prior authorizations and the preferred drug list.

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 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers *****

Texas Medicaid Vision Services policy currently limits coverage of ophthalmoscopy (procedure codes 92201 and 92202) to two services per year. With evidence of medical necessity, additional screening examinations of premature infants for retinopathy of prematurity must be considered through the Texas Health Steps-Comprehensive Care Program.

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

21 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective August 18, 2020, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code C9061 has been 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.

22 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

The Home and Community-Based Services-Adult Mental Health User Guide is available on the TMHP Learning Management System at learn.tmhp.com under the category Supplemental Information.

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

23 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid 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. [link]

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

24 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Beginning at 7:00 p.m. on August 28, 2020, TMHP will upgrade its Electronic Data Interchange Interactive servers. The servers will be unavailable from 7:00 p.m. on August 28, 2020, through 11:59 p.m. on August 29, 2020.

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

For more information, contact evv@tmhp.com.

25 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

On October 1, 2020, TMHP will implement the third quarter 2020 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which will be effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2020. Discontinued procedure codes will no longer be considered as benefits of Texas Medicaid. Added procedure codes will not be reimbursed until the codes are reviewed and a rate hearing is held. Providers will be notified in a future article of any changes in benefits.

For clinician administered drug procedure codes included in a quarterly HCPCS update and approved to be added as Medicaid benefits by HHSC, the rate may be effective as of the CMS effective 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.

26 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2020, telemonitoring benefits will change for Texas Medicaid.

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

27 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2020, ambulatory and long-term electroencephalogram 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.

28 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

In response to reported drug shortages for albuterol products in the Bronchodilators, Short-Acting Beta Agonist Inhalers drug class, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission temporarily removed the non-preferred status from the generic formulations on March 20, 2020. HHSC will reverse this change in status because it determined sufficient availability in the market.

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 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

This is a clarification to an article titled "Procedure Code Addition and Update for Coronavirus (COVID-19)," which was published on the TMHP website on July 10, 2020.

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 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective September 1, 2020, the Vendor Drug Program will implement a uniform opioid policy across feefor-service and managed care to encourage appropriate use and reduce opioid over prescribing.

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

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

31 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Beginning August 13, 2020, for dates of service on or after June 25, 2020, new procedure code 87426 will require modifier QW when billed.

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

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

32 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid Providers*****

Effective August 13, 2020, for dates of service on or after April 1, 2020, the reimbursement rate for procedure code J1095 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.

33 (09/11/20 through 10/02/20) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2020, reimbursement rates for some Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program procedure codes will change.

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.

34 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*****

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2020, reimbursement rates for some Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program procedure codes will change.

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.

35 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All CSHCN Services Program Providers*****

On October 1, 2020, TMHP will implement the third quarter 2020 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System additions, revisions, and discontinuations, which will be effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2020. Discontinued procedure codes will no longer be considered as benefits of the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program. Added procedure codes will not be reimbursed until the codes are reviewed and a rate hearing is held. Providers will be notified in a future article of any changes in benefits.

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

36 (08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Providers*****

TMHP has resolved an issue for some ambulatory electroencephalogram (EEG) claims that were inappropriately rejected.

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.

37 v(08/28/20 through 09/18/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

The 2020-21 Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) season begins October 1, 2020, for many counties in Texas.

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

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

38 (08/21/20 through 09/11/20) *****Attention Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

There is an update to the articles titled "Single-Dose Vial Unused Portion Reimbursement Policy for Clinician Administered Drugs," that were published on the TMHP website on June 12, 2020 and on the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program website on June 19, 2020.

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.

39 (08/14/20 through 09/11/20) ***** Attention All Medicaid and CSHCN Services Program Providers****

Reminder: The approved TMHP credit balance audit vendor will no longer pursue overpayment recoveries of \$9.99 or less.

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

40 (09/04/20 through 09/25/20) ***** Attention Family Planning Providers*****

TMHP has identified an issue that affects claims submitted with dates of service from November 1, 2019 through July 28, 2020, with injection procedure codes J0696 and J1100 for Family Planning 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.

41 (09/01/20 through 09/25/20) **** Attention All Medicaid, HTW, and Family Planning Service Providers****

There is a correction to the article titled, "Healthy Texas Women (HTW) Plus Services Available September 1, 2020," which was published on the TMHP website on August 28, 2020.

The original article referenced a list of procedure codes that are a benefit for HTW plus. A corrected, updated list of the HTW Plus procedure codes is now available.

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