Update in Medicaid and CHIP Coverage for COVID-19 Vaccines Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) program providers,

Effective October 1, 2024, Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) will only reimburse the administration fee for U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved COVID-19 vaccines for individuals 12 years of age and older. HHSC Medicaid and CHIP will no longer cover COVID-19 vaccines and administration fees under Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) and administration fees; however, these vaccines will remain available through the TVFC program.

The following are authorized under an EUA currently:

Vaccine Name	Ages Indicated	NDC
Pfizer MDV3, 30 Pack (6m-4y); PED	6 months-4 years of age	59267-4315-02
PEU	5 years-11 years of age	59267-4331-02
Novavax MDV5, 2-Pack (12y+); PED	12+ years of age	80631-0105-02
Moderna SDV, 10 Pack (6m- 11y); PED	6 months-11 years of age	80777-0287-92

The TVFC program will continue to provide all COVID-19 vaccines, including both FDA-approved and those under EUA. The TVFC program policy for patient eligibility and vaccine administration is not affected by the HHSC notice below.

Please contact <u>VacCallCenter@dshs.texas.gov</u> if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued participation in the TVFC program.

Message from HHSC to Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)

Title: Some COVID-19 Vaccine Procedure Codes No Longer a Benefit of Texas Medicaid and CHIP Effective October 1, 2024

Summary of Request or Key Details: Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2024, some COVID-19 vaccine procedure codes will no longer be a benefit for Texas Medicaid and CHIP. These changes reflect the discontinued coverage of COVID-19 vaccines that do not have full approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) by the end of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) period.

The following COVID-19 vaccine procedure codes will no longer be a benefit:

Procedure Codes									
91304	91318	91319	91321						

Note: Reimbursement rates for procedure codes 91304, 91318, 91319, and 91321 will be published in a public hearing to be made not a payable benefit.

The following COVID-19 vaccine procedure codes will continue to be a benefit as they have full approval from the FDA:

Procedure Codes								
91320	91322							

Providers may still obtain all available vaccines recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices for children (birth through 18 years of age) at no cost from the Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) Program. More information about the TVFC Program can be found at https://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunizations/providers/overview.

Action: MCOs must update their systems and processes to reflect these code updates and inform impacted providers in the MCO's and DMO's provider networks about the code updates.

Contact: MCO COVID-19 Inquiries@hhs.texas.gov
