



[Electronic Visit Verification – Implementation Update](#)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2020

January marks the go-live date for Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Phase 1 Implementation. Beginning on January 1, 2021, all providers subject to the Federal EVV mandate should make every effort to capture visits through their chosen EVV solution. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #146: Update on CARES Act-Funded Payments to Nursing Facility Providers and Availability of Extension Funding](#)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2020

This bulletin updates and extends NC Medicaid's reimbursement for allowable COVID-19 testing of nursing facility staff and healthcare personnel. [More](#)

[Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine \(N/A\) HCPCS code 91301: Billing Guidelines \(this information is for the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine only\)](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2020

This information is only for non-long-term care providers who have the means to handle the specific storage recommendations required of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine and will be administering it. This is the first general communication regarding the COVID-19 vaccine. NC Medicaid will issue subsequent guidance regarding specific vaccination programs and/or specific FDA approved vaccines as information becomes available. [More](#)

[Clinical Policy 1A-22, Medically Necessary Circumcision Revised](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2020

Clinical Coverage Policy 1A-22, Medically Necessary Circumcision, has been revised and will post with an effective date of Jan. 1, 2021 on the NC Medicaid website. [More](#)

[Coverage Added for Transversus Abdominis Plane Blocks](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2020

Effective Oct. 1, 2020, NC Medicaid will now cover services for transversus abdominis plane blocks for Medicaid and NC Health Choice beneficiaries 11 years and older. [More](#)

[Clinical Policy 1E-7, Family Planning Services Revised](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2020

An amended version of Clinical Coverage Policy 1E-7, Family Planning Services with an effective date of Dec. 1, 2020, was posted to the NC Medicaid Clinical Coverage Policy webpage. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #145: Updated Guidance for PACE Organizations](#)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2020

Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) organizations should continue to follow the guidance of local, state and federal officials regarding COVID-19 and thoroughly document reasoning for making decisions which may fall outside of the PACE program model. [More](#)



[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #144: COVID-Nursing Facility Response Site Criteria Revised](#)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2020

This bulletin revises the COVID-Response Site criteria established in SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #82.

[More](#)

[Electronic Visit Verification Training Reminder](#)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020

EVV Training for providers using NC Medicaid's EVV solution, Sandata, is now underway with instructor-led training webinars filling up fast. Training is required to ensure all agency employees are ready to capture EVV visit data. [More](#)

[Electronic Visit Verification Stakeholder Meeting](#)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2020

NC Medicaid will host a Stakeholder Engagement meeting regarding Electronic Visit Verification on Thursday, Dec. 17, 2020, at 10 a.m. Registration is required. [More](#)

[Electronic Visit Verification and In-Home Caregivers](#)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2020

Clarification regarding Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) and how it applies to in-home caregivers, including service codes for EVV and frequently asked questions on this topic. [More](#)

[Third-Party Liability Medicaid and NC Health Choice Billing Guide](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

The latest version of the Third-Party Liability Medicaid and NC Health Choice billing guide is available. [More](#)

[Registered Dietitians and Nutritionists Added to the List of Eligible Providers](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

Effective July 26, 2020, Registered Dietitians and Nutritionists may enroll in Medicaid or the NC Health Choice program to provide and bill for this service for pregnant women and beneficiaries less than 21 years of age. [More](#)

[Meningococcal \[Groups A, C, Y, W\] Conjugate Vaccine, Solution for Intramuscular Injection \(MenQuadfi™\) CPT Code 90619: Billing Guidelines](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

Effective with date of service Nov. 13, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover meningococcal [Groups A, C, Y, W] conjugate vaccine, solution for intramuscular injection (MenQuadfi™) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program. [More](#)



[Medicaid Managed Care PCP Auto-Assignment Changes Based on Evidence of Active Beneficiary Treatment Relationship](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

As Medicaid and NC Health Choice transition to managed care, beneficiaries will be notified to select a Prepaid Health Plan as well as a Primary Care Provider/Advanced Medical Home. Beneficiaries who do not self-select will be auto assigned by the Department. [More](#)

[Famotidine Injection \(Pepcid®\) HCPCS Code J3490: Billing Guidelines](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

Effective with date of service Jan. 1, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover famotidine injection (Pepcid®) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J3490 - Unclassified drugs. [More](#)

[Clinical Policy 1E-3, Sterilization Procedures – Claim Denials](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

Claim Denials for Sterilization CPT Code 58661 [More](#)

[Clinical Policy 1E-3, Sterilization Procedures - Sterilization Consent Form](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

Updates on the consent form expiration date and clarifications related to the Aug. 15, 2020 policy update. [More](#)

[Amisulpride Injection, for Intravenous Use \(Barhemsys®\) HCPCS Code J3490: Billing Guidelines](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

Effective with date of service Aug. 4, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover amisulpride injection, for intravenous use (Barhemsys®) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J3490 - Unclassified drugs. [More](#)

[Application Period Open for Tailored Care Management Certification](#)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020

The Tailored Care Management certification process is now open, and providers may submit applications. [More](#)

[Provider Selection of Electronic Visit Verification Vendor Required for Jan. 1, 2021 Implementation](#)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2020

Providers subject to EVV are required to utilize an electronic verification system to capture in-home visits to align with the state and federal guidelines. The enrollment or selection of an EVV vendor must be made by Dec. 18, 2020, to ensure NC Medicaid meets the Jan. 1, 2021 deadline for implementation. [More](#)



[Electronic Visit Verification Billing and LME/MCO Update](#)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2020

NC Medicaid's Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) system will launch on Jan. 1, 2021, for State Plan Personal Care Services, CAP/DA and CAP/C. During the first 90 days following launch, we will operate EVV as "Pay and Report." EVV implementation for TBI waiver and LME/MCO services programs is planned for April 2, 2021. [More](#)

[Upcoming Provider Webinars](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020

Provider webinars in December include Advanced Medical Home on December 10, COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution on December 15, and Behavioral Health on December 17. [More](#)

[Medicaid Managed Care Provider Update](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020

Key dates for transitioning to Medicaid Managed Care, contracting reminders, webinar series for providers and practice leaders, review your provider records in NCTracks, the Provider Ombudsman, PHP manuals updated and the beneficiary portal. [More](#)

[Required Electronic Visit Verification Survey Deadline Extended](#)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2020

NC Medicaid State Plan Personal Care Services (PCS) and Community Alternatives Programs (CAP) providers who render personal care-type services, are required to complete a secure survey regarding Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) by Dec. 7, 2020. [More](#)

[Span Dating Ends Jan. 1, 2021 for Providers Subject to Electronic Visit Verification](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020

Effective Jan. 1, 2021, Personal Care Services and Community Alternatives Programs providers subject to Electronic Visit Verification will no longer be able to submit claims using span dating. [More](#)

[NC Medicaid Expands Website to Include New Resources to Support Medicaid Beneficiaries](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020

NCDHHS has launched a new Beneficiary Portal on the NC Medicaid website. The portal will serve as a centralized information resource center for current Medicaid beneficiaries and those wishing to apply for Medicaid benefits. It also offers information about Medicaid Managed Care, set to launch July 1, 2021. [More](#)

[NC Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program Announcements](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020

NC-MIPS is Open for Program Year 2020, Program Year 2020 Webinar Series, The Security Risk Analysis and Program Year 2021 Announcements. [More](#)



[J0887 Mircera Injection, Epoetin Beta, Billing Instructions for End Stage Renal Disease \(ESRD\) Treatment Providers](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020

Effective July 1, 2020, End Stage Renal Disease Treatment providers (261QE0700X) were added to the list of eligible providers for Procedure Code J0887, Mircera Injection, Epoetin Beta, 1 Microgram. [More](#)

[Home Health Services Bill Type 33X Update](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020

As announced previously, providers should not be submitting original claims for home health services using Bill Type 33X. Effective immediately, providers should use Bill Type 32X or 34X. [More](#)