



[Clinical Coverage Policies](#)

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2020

The following new or amended clinical coverage policies are available on the Clinical Coverage Policies web page on NC Medicaid's website. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #116: New Webinar to Support Medicaid Providers Applying for Federal Relief Funds](#)

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2020

Webinar for Medicaid Providers to be held July 27 at 3 p.m and Application Deadline Extended to Aug. 3. [More](#)

[Update of the Minimum Data Set \(MDS\) 3.0 Items](#)

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020

On May 15, 2020, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) updated the Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 item sets (version 1.17.2) to support the calculation of Patient-Driven Payment Model (PDP) case mix groups on all Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) assessments. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #115: Targeted Rate Increase and Associated Requirements for Swing Bed Services](#)

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020

NC Medicaid is implementing time-limited, targeted, enhanced swing bed reimbursement rates to provide additional financial support to hospitals that provide post-acute care services to COVID-19 positive ("COVID+") Medicaid beneficiaries and non-COVID+ Medicaid beneficiaries transferred from other acute care hospitals as part of a surge response. [More](#)

[Daratumumab and Hyaluronidase-fihj Injection, for Subcutaneous Use \(Darzalex Faspro™\) HCPCS Code J9999: Billing Guidelines](#)

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020

Effective with date of service May 6, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover daratumumab and hyaluronidase-fihj injection, for subcutaneous use (Darzalex Faspro™) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J9999 - Not otherwise classified, antineoplastic drugs. [More](#)



[Continuous Glucose Monitoring Systems Coverage Transition](#)

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020

Effective July 1, 2020, coverage of therapeutic Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM) products is transitioning from the Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Program to the Outpatient Pharmacy Point of Sale (POS) Program. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #114: Hospice Room and Board Reimbursement Rate Increase and Clarification of COVID-19 Rate Billing Guidelines for Skilled Nursing Facilities and Hospice Providers](#)

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020

This NC Medicaid Bulletin provides an overview of COVID-19 rate increases applicable to SNFs and Hospice providers; Hospice provider rate increase from 95% to 100% of Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) reimbursement rates for room and board services provided in a SNF; and billing guidelines for Hospice services provided in a SNF designated as a "COVID-19 Outbreak" or "COVID-19 Response" site. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #113: Deadline Extended for Federal Provider Relief Funds for Medicaid Providers](#)

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020

On July 17, 2020, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services announced that the deadline for Medicaid/CHIP providers to submit their financial data to apply for federal Provider Relief Funds has been extended to Aug. 3, 2020. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #112: 1115 Waiver Approval and Acceptance](#)

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2020

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recently approved North Carolina's Medicaid Disaster 1115 Waiver. The waiver includes several provisions that allow flexibility for long-term services and supports (LTSS) to maintain services for beneficiaries and financial relief for home and community-based service (HCBS) providers. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #111: REMINDER: Provider Relief Fund Deadline Monday, July 20, 2020](#)

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2020

North Carolina providers that participate in Medicaid may be eligible to receive federal relief as a result of lost revenue or new expenses relating to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. [More](#)

[NCTracks Provider Training: August 2020](#)

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2020

Registration is open for the August 2020 NCTracks instructor-led provider training courses listed below. Slots are limited. WebEx courses can be attended remotely from any location with a telephone, computer and internet connection. [More](#)



[J0887, Mircera: End Stage Renal Disease \(ESRD\) Treatment Providers \(261QE0700X\) Added to the List of Eligible Providers](#)

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020

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

[End-Stage Renal Disease Policy \(1A-34\) Title Change](#)

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020

Effective Jan. 1, 2020, the title of Clinical Coverage Policy 1A-34 changed to Dialysis Services. In addition to the title change, the Division of Health Benefits will now cover services for Acute Kidney Injury (AKI). [More](#)

[Clinical Policy 1E-3, Sterilization Procedures Revised Effective Aug. 15, 2020](#)

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020

Clinical Policy 1E-3, Sterilization Procedures, has been revised and will post Aug. 15, 2020 on the NC Medicaid website. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #110: Re-Verification Due Dates Extended for NC Medicaid Providers \(July 1, 2020 to Aug. 31, 2020\)](#)

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2020

NCTracks has reset the due date for providers required to re-verify their enrollment between the dates of July 1, 2020, and Aug. 31, 2020. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #109: NC Medicaid Cost Report Filing Extensions Due to COVID-19](#)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020

This is an update to SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #24: NC Medicaid Cost Report Filing Extensions Due to COVID-19 posted on March 27, 2020. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #108: Behavioral Health Services: Guidance on Re-certification and Certification Requirements for CPR/First Aid and Restrictive Interventions](#)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020

NC Medicaid, in partnership with the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services, is offering the following guidance to providers, instructors, and staff regarding restrictive interventions and CPR/First Aid. This is applicable to mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorder services, during the COVID-19 pandemic. [More](#)



[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #107: Continuation of COVID-19 Enhanced Rates](#)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020

NC Medicaid is committed to ensuring beneficiaries continue to receive Medicaid and NC Health Choice services with no interruptions or delays due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #106: Federal Relief Funding Webcast and Deadline Reminder](#)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020

A webcast for the Provider Relief Fund will be held Wednesday, July 8 from 4-5 p.m. Reminder - the application deadline is July 20, 2020. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #105: NC Medicaid Receives Approval for Expanded Flexibilities for Home and Community Services - NC Innovations and NC TBI Waivers](#)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020

NC Medicaid has received federal approval of additional flexibilities during the COVID-19 pandemic for the NC Innovations and NC Traumatic Brain Injury waivers. [More](#)

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

TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2020

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

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #104: Archived Dental Webinars Available](#)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2020

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and the NC Area Health Education Center are partnering in a free webinar series, *DHHS COVID-19 Guidance for Dental Professionals*, designed to support dental providers during the COVID-19 pandemic. [More](#)