

Updated Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program Criteria

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2020

North Carolina's Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program has changed the criteria to allow additional providers who screen and diagnose women for breast and cervical cancer to refer to Breast and Cervical Cancer Medicaid. More

Ensure Your Information Displays Correctly in NC's Provider Directory Tool – Provider & Health Plan Look-Up

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2020

As NC Medicaid moves forward with its planned implementation of Medicaid Managed Care, it is important for enrolled providers to act now to thoroughly review their individual and organization provider enrollment record in NCTracks. More

<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #136: NC Medicaid Receives Approval for Expanded Flexibilities for Home</u> and Community Services - NC Innovations Waiver

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

NC Medicaid has received federal approval of additional flexibilities during the COVID-19 pandemic for the NC Innovations Waiver, for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). More

New Webinar Series for Medicaid Providers and Practice Leaders

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and North Carolina AHEC are offering two monthly evening webinar series to help prepare providers, practice managers and quality managers engage with NC Medicaid. More

Behavioral Health Policy Update

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

Amended policies will post to the NC Medicaid Clinical Coverage Policies website with an effective date of Oct. 1, 2020. More

<u>Tafasitamab-cxix for Injection, for Intravenous Use (Monjuvi®) HCPCS Code J9999: Billing Guidelines</u> TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

Effective with date of service Aug. 13, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover tafasitamab-cxix for injection, for intravenous use (Monjuvi®) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J9999 - Not otherwise classified, antineoplastic drugs. More



<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #135: Expectation to Comply with Infection Control and Prevention</u> Measures

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

Strong infection prevention and control practices are critical to reducing the transmission of COVID-19 within long-term care facilities. NC DHHS is reiterating its expectation that providers participate in the infection prevention and control activities. More

<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #134: Clarification of COVID-19 Temporary Rate Increases and Clinical</u> Policy Changes

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

This bulletin replaces SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #119 in its entirety. More

<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #133: COVID-19 Exposure Notification App Available</u> TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services announced the launch of a COVID-19 Exposure Notification app called SlowCOVIDNC. The app will help North Carolinians slow the spread of the virus by alerting them when they may have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. More

<u>Public Comment Period for Community Alternatives Program for Children Waiver Renewal</u> TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

To begin the preparation for the renewing of the CAP/C waiver, NC Medicaid is soliciting comments, recommendations, and suggestions in the areas of access, flexibilities of home and community-based services, and operational efficiencies. An open public comment period begins Sept. 22, 2020. More

<u>Inebilizumab-cdon Injection, for Intravenous Use (Uplizna™) HCPCS Code J3590: Billing Guidelines</u> TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

Effective with date of service July 27, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover inebilizumab-cdon injection, for intravenous use (Uplizna™) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J3590 - Unclassified biologics. More

Community Alternatives Program Internal Independent Assessment

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

To ensure the waiver enrollment administrative processes are executed as approved in each waiver application, until the award of a contract to an external CIAE vendor, NC Medicaid will implement an internal independent assessment review process. This internal independent assessment process will begin in October 2020 with a go-live date of Oct. 19, 2020. More



Billing Code Update for Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

North Carolina Medicaid has received calls concerning claim denials for some services provided by nurse practitioners (NPs) and physician assistants (PAs). More

SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #132: Laboratory Codes for Coronavirus (COVID-19) Testing

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

CMS and the American Medical Association have released a CPT code for an antigen test designed to detect proteins from the virus that causes COVID-19 in respiratory specimens. NC Medicaid is adding this CPT code to NCTracks for medically necessary laboratory testing effective Sept. 1, 2020. More

<u>Procedures for Prior Authorization of Synagis® (palivizumab) for Respiratory Syncytial Virus Season</u> 2020/2021

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

Guidelines for Evidenced-Based Synagis® Prophylaxis, Prior Approval Requests, Dose Authorization, Pharmacy Distributor Information, Provider Information, Submitting a Request to Exceed Policy and Technical Support. More

Coverage for Genetic Testing for Breast Cancer

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

Effective Sept. 1, 2020, the North Carolina Medicaid and NC Health Choice Programs will cover Oncotype Dx and EndoPredict genomic tests used for breast cancer treatment as part of Clinical Coverage policy 15-7, Gene Expression Profiling for Breast Cancer. More

<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #131: Temporary Rate Increase for Federally Qualified Health Centers and</u> Rural Health Centers

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

NC Medicaid is temporarily increasing financial assistance to Federally Quality Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Centers (RHCs) to maintain critical access to care for Medicaid beneficiaries during the COVID-19 public health emergency. More

<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #130: Reminder – Provider Relief Fund Application Deadline Sunday, Sept.</u> 13

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

Medicaid/CHIP providers who have not yet submitted their applications for federal Provider Relief Fund are encouraged to apply. The deadline is Sunday, Sept. 13, 2020. More



<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #129: Reporting Requirements and Financial Support to Nursing Homes</u> under Secretarial Order No.2

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

This bulletin outlines the process by which nursing homes may access interim payments of State-administered federal funding to support compliance with Secretarial Order No.2. More

NC Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program Announcements

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

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

<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID #128: NC Medicaid Optional COVID-19 Testing Program Online Applications</u> <u>Available</u>

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2020

NC Medicaid is reimbursing COVID-19 testing costs for individuals without insurance who enroll in the NC Medicaid Optional COVID-19 Testing (MCV) program. <u>More</u>

SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #127: Antigen Testing Guidance

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

Providers are required by State Health Director Order to report all results, positive and negative, of diagnostic testing for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. More

<u>Influenza Vaccine and Reimbursement Guidelines for 2020-2021 for Medicaid and NC Health Choice</u> TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

NC Immunization Program/Vaccines for Children (NCIP/VFC), Billing/Reporting Influenza Vaccines for Medicaid Beneficiaries, Borrowing and Replacement of VFC and Private Vaccines, Borrowing and Replacement of VFC and Private Vaccines, Billing/Reporting Influenza Vaccines for NC Health Choice Beneficiaries, Immunization Billing for Medicaid and NC Health Choice Beneficiaries from FQHCs and RHCs and NDC's Change Each Year for Influenza Vaccines. More