

NETWORK Notification

Notice Date: April 13, 2023

To: Georgia Medicaid Providers

From: CareSource

Subject: Public Health Emergency Ending – Updates to Benefits and Rates

Effective Date: May 13, 2023

Summary

Effective May 11, 2023, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) plans to end the Public Health Emergency for COVID-19. Beginning May 13, 2023, CareSource will remove certain benefit and rate changes that were implemented during the pandemic to support members and providers.

Impact

Prior Authorization – CareSource will no longer waive prior authorizations for the services and prescriptions previously announced below:

Notification	Date
COVID-19: At-Home Diagnostic Test Billing Guidance	5/13/2022
COVID-19: Oral Therapy	5/2/2022
COVID-19: Vaccination Billing Resource	11/10/2021
COVID-19: Vaccination Billing Resource – UPDATE	7/14/2021
COVID-19: CareSource Vaccination Billing Guidance	3/8/2021
COVID-19: Vaccination Billing Resource – This notification has been revised. See notification dated 07/14/2021.	1/29/2021
COVID-19: CARES Act Provider Relief Fund Update	6/22/2020
COVID-19: CDC Health Alert on Chloroquine	5/28/2020
COVID-19: Dental Provider Resources	4/28/2020
Protecting Members and Reducing the Spread of COVID-19	3/23/2020
Promoting Telehealth for COVID-19	3/23/2020

Telehealth – CareSource is removing the waiver for telehealth announced in the <u>Temporary Telehealth</u> Services notification.

Importance

CareSource continues to monitor federal and state guidance in response to COVID-19 trends. The updates to benefits and rates helps ensure the appropriateness of services and prescriptions. For more information on the ending of the Public Health Emergency, please view the <u>Fact Sheet: COVID-19</u>

<u>Public Health Emergency Transition Roadmap</u> from the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Questions?

We thank our providers for your partnership in caring for our membership throughout the pandemic. Please contact Provider Services at **1-855-202-1058** Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) if you have any questions.

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