

# NETWORK Notification

Notice Date: October 22, 2025

To: Georgia Medicaid Providers

From: CareSource

Subject: Newborn RSV Prevention

## **Summary**

As Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) season approaches, CareSource would like to remind providers of the medications available to prevent severe RSV during the newborn period. RSV continues to be one of the top reasons newborns are hospitalized every year.

#### **Impact**

Abrysvo is the only vaccine approved for pregnant people during weeks 32-36 of pregnancy. Beyfortus (Nirsevimab) and Enflonsia are antibodies that can be given one time to infants born during or entering their first RSV season. Vulnerable populations may qualify for a second dose of Beyfortus prior to their 2<sup>nd</sup> RSV season. Synagis (Palivizumab) is another antibody given multiple times during RSV season to infants more susceptible to severe RSV infections. If a person receives Abrysvo during 32-36 weeks of pregnancy, the newborn will not need the antibody.

Members may receive the medication during an office visit, in the hospital or at a pharmacy.

#### Requirements for RSV Products:

Georgia Medicaid	Medical Prior Authorization Required	Pharmacy Prior Authorization
		Required
Abrysvo	No	Not Covered
Beyfortus	No	Not Covered
(Nirsevimab)		
Enflonsia	No (pending addition to the state's	Not Covered
(Clesrovimab)	fee schedule)	
Synagis**	Yes	Yes
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<sup>\*\*</sup>Please note: Synagis is discontinued as of December 31, 2025. Provider must attest to adequate stock in office at time of request to cover member through RSV season.

#### **Importance**

Infants at increased risk of severe RSV disease include premature infants, those with chronic lung or heart disease, and who have a weakened immune system. RSV can lead to severe infection like bronchiolitis and pneumonia. 2-3% of infants with RSV require hospitalization. Vaccinating pregnant people during the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester or providing newborns an antibody injection can play an important role in avoiding severe disease and decreasing hospitalization.

### Questions?

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Health Partner Services at **1-855-202-1058**, Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Eastern Time (ET).