

NETWORK Notification

Notice Date: June 23, 2021

To: **Ohio Medicaid Providers** From: **Ohio Managed Care Plans**

Subject: **COVID-19: Vaccine Administration Fee Bonus Payment**

Effective Date: June 10, 2021

Beginning on May 12, 2023, this notification is expiring in alignment with the end of the Public Health Emergency.

Summary

As previously communicated via Ohio managed care plans (MCPs) in a provider bulletin article on June 11, 2021, Ohio MCPs have updated vaccination billing processes, noting that more information would be published pertaining to Ohio Medicaid federally-qualified health center (FQHC), qualified federal planning provider (QFPP) and rural health center (RHC) providers.

Given the unique billing and payment guidelines associated with FQHCs, RHCs and QFPPs. Ohio MCPs will issue the standard administration fee for the first dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccinations, and the single dose of the Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 vaccination. This standard administration fee for the vaccination is \$37.62. The new bonus payment will be effective from June 10, 2021 to Aug. 15, 2021.

The new bonus payment of \$68.32 will still be available to FQHCs, RHCs and QFPPs; however, this incentive will be paid through regular incentive payments outside of the normal claim payment process. These incentive payments will be regularly calculated by Ohio MCPs based on the claims received for the COVID-19 vaccine administration fee and issued to the FQHC, RHC and QFPP providers via a lump sum payment.

FQHCs, RHCs and QFPPs should bill these administration fees consistent with the CPT codes for billing referenced in the June 11 notification.

Please note that while it is not required, we encourage you to bill the vaccine and the administration code together for reporting purposes. You will need to bill one vaccine code and one administration code per dose of the vaccine administered. At this time there will be no reimbursement for the vaccine, only the administration fee.











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