



NETWORK *Notification*

Notice Date: June 25, 2021
To: Ohio Medicaid Providers
From: CareSource
Subject: COVID-19: Vaccine Administration Fee Bonus Payment
Effective Date: June 10, 2021

Please note: CareSource is monitoring all guidance related to COVID-19. This communication is an update on the [previous version](#) dated June 23, 2021. CareSource will communicate updates aligned with state guidance as it is released. Please check back regularly for updated information.

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 **\$37.98**. The new bonus payment will be effective from June 10, 2021 to Aug. 15, 2021.

The new bonus payment of **\$62.02** 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.**

Providers will have until Nov. 30, 2021 to submit claims for administration of the initial vaccination to receive the bonus payment (regardless of FQHC status).

Questions?

For questions, please reach out to Provider Services at **1-800-488-0134**, Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

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