

NETWORK Notification

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To: Ohio Medicaid Providers

From: CareSource

Subject: COVID-19: Vaccination Pediatric Counseling Visit Coding Guidance

Effective Date: April 1, 2022

Summary

Effective February 1, 2022, Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) released codes which allowed for COVID-19 vaccine counseling visits during which no COVID-19 vaccine is administered for children under age 21 as part of the EPSDT benefit. Please see the ODM COVID-19 Billing Guidelines to view the initial announcement releasing COVID-19 vaccination counseling codes.

Additional Details

In order for ODM to claim 100% FMAP for COVID-19 vaccine counseling codes for individuals under age 21, providers should consider the following guidance issued from ODM:

- **Restrictions** There are **no** restrictions on code **99401** or **99402** (e.g., place of service, provider type or patient age).
- Code Requirements Dx2 is required if Dx1 is billed with counseling CPT codes related to COVID-19 vaccination.

Example: 99401 or 99402

- + Dx1 Z71.85
- + Dx2 (Z28.01, Z28.02, Z28.03, Z28.04, Z28.09, Z28.21, Z28.82, Z28.83)
- Code Denials

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+ Administration of Immunization CPT (same date of service)

Note: Counseling and Administration CPT's will be denied if billed by the same provider or medical group (e.g., primary care and pharmacist) on the same date of service.

Questions?

For questions, please reach out to the Provider Services at: 1-800-488-0134.

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