



[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #126: New Deadline for Medicaid Providers Applying for Federal Relief Funds](#)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2020

The deadline for Medicaid/CHIP providers to submit their financial data to apply for federal provider relief funds has been extended to Sept. 13, 2020. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #125: Webinar on Updated CDC Dental Guidance](#)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2020

NC DHHS and the NC Area Health Education Center (AHEC) are partnering in a free webinar series offering guidance to dental professionals. [More](#)

[Pertuzumab, Trastuzumab and Hyaluronidase-zzxf Injection, for Subcutaneous use \(Phesgo™\) HCPCS Code J9999: Billing Guidelines](#)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020

Effective with date of service July 1, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover pertuzumab, trastuzumab, and hyaluronidase-zzxf injection, for subcutaneous use (Phesgo™) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J9999 - Not otherwise classified, antineoplastic drugs. [More](#)

[Mitomycin for Pyelocalyceal Solution \(Jelmyto™\) HCPCS Code J9999: Billing Guidelines](#)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020

Effective with date of service June 17, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover mitomycin for pyelocalyceal solution (Jelmyto™) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J9999 - Not otherwise classified, antineoplastic drugs. [More](#)

[Lurbinectedin for Injection, for Intravenous Use \(Zepzelca™\) HCPCS Code J9999: Billing Guidelines](#)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020

Effective with date of service June 19, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover lurbinectedin for injection, for intravenous use (Zepzelca™) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J9999 - Not otherwise classified, antineoplastic drugs. [More](#)



[Bimatoprost Implant, for Intracameral Administration \(Durysta™\) HCPCS Code J3490: Billing Guidelines](#)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020

Effective with date of service June 26, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover bimatoprost implant, for intracameral administration (Durysta™) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J3490 - Unclassified drugs. [More](#)

[Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plan Memo on State-Funded Services Design Updates](#)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020

A memo regarding North Carolina's Design for State-Funded Services Under Behavioral Health and Intellectual/Developmental Disability Tailored Plans white paper has been released. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #124: Reprocessing Claims to Apply Retroactive 5% Rate Increase for Medicaid Providers Covered in SL 2020-4](#)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Benefits (DHB) is continuing to implement previously-announced temporary 5% provider rate increases to select Medicaid providers (see COVID-19 Special Bulletin #99) to maintain access to care for Medicaid beneficiaries. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #123: Temporary rate increase for Local Health Department Dental Services](#)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020

NC Medicaid is implementing additional rate increases to continue helping Local Health Departments (LHDs) to serve Medicaid beneficiaries during the COVID-19 public health emergency. [More](#)

[Single State Audit SFY2020](#)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020

The North Carolina Office of the State Auditor (OSA) has begun the Single State Audit for State fiscal year (SFY) 2020. [More](#)



[Medicaid Claims Documentation - 2019 Single State Audit](#)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020

During the recent State fiscal year (SFY) 2019 Single State Audit, OSA reviewed claims documentation to ensure payments were made for Medicaid-covered services and to ensure claims followed proper coding and billing rules. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #122: NC Medicaid Will Reimburse Providers for COVID-19 Testing for Uninsured North Carolinians; Applications Available](#)

MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020

Effective Sept. 1, 2020, NC Medicaid will begin reimbursing COVID-19 testing costs for uninsured individuals enrolled in the NC Medicaid Optional COVID-19 Testing (MCV) program. This option was made available to all states through Section 6004(a)(3) of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA). Testing providers are encouraged to download paper applications to be completed, collected and mailed to NC Medicaid at the address on the form. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #121: Executive Order Extends School Immunization, Health Assessment Deadlines](#)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020

Executive Order 156 and a State Health Director Memo have extended, but not waived, North Carolina proof-of-immunization documentation deadlines for school and child-care facilities. Additionally, the Executive Order also extends the deadline to submit a school health assessment for children entering North Carolina public school for the first time. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #120: Keeping Kids Well Program: Improving Well-Child Visit and Immunization Rates Across NC](#)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2020

The Keeping Kids Well program will work with practices to improve well-child visits and immunization rates across North Carolina. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #119: NC Medicaid Extends Temporary Clinical Coverage Policy Provisions and Temporary Rate Enhancements](#)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020

Recently, the federal Declaration of Emergency scheduled to end July 25, 2020, was extended through Oct. 25, 2020. In response to this new date, NC Medicaid has extended its COVID-19 related temporary Clinical Coverage Policy provisions to Dec. 31, 2020. COVID-19 related rate enhancements are extended through Sept. 30, 2020. [More](#)



[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #118: New Opportunities for Medicaid Providers Applying for Federal Relief Funds](#)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020

CMS announced changes to the Provider Relief Fund opportunities for Medicaid providers which include the application deadline being extended to Aug. 28, 2020, certain providers who previously received Medicare funds can apply for Provider Relief Funds and payments for providers who have changed ownership. [More](#)

[Changes to 42 CFR Part 2](#)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020

On July 15, 2020, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) finalized modifications to the Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records regulations, 42 CFR Part 2 ("Part 2"). Modifications to Part 2 will be effective Aug. 14, 2020. [More](#)

[NC Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program Announcements](#)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020

NC-MIPS is Open for Program Year 2020, Program Year 2020 Webinar Series and The Security Risk Analysis (SRA). [More](#)

[HCPCS Code \(J codes\) Quarterly Update July 2020](#)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020

Effective with the date of service July 1, 2020, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has added new HCPCS codes (J codes), deleted others, and changed the description of some existing codes. [More](#)

[SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #117: NCDHHS RFAs to Support Communities Hard Hit by COVID-19](#)

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2020

NC Department of Health and Human Services has announced two Requests for Applications (RFAs) to help communities heavily affected by COVID-19. [More](#)