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KMAP GENERAL BULLETIN 21136

Rate Increase for COVID-19 Vaccine Administration in the Home

Effective with processing dates June 29, 2021, and retroactive to dates of service June 8, 2021, HCPCS code M0201 will be covered as an additional payment for COVID-19 vaccine administration in the home for certain members. The payment will be in addition to the COVID-19 administration codes and includes clinical time needed to monitor after the vaccine is administered, as well as, all costs associated with administering the vaccine safely and appropriately in a member's home. The sole purpose of the visit must be the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine.

M0201 will be reimbursed when any of the following member situations applies:

- The member has a condition due to an illness or injury that restricts their ability to leave home without a supportive device or help from a paid or unpaid caregiver.
- The member has a condition that makes them more susceptible to contracting a pandemic disease like COVID-19.
- The member is generally unable to leave home, and if they do leave home, it requires a considerable and taxing effort to do so.
- The member is hard to reach because they have a disability or face clinical, socioeconomic, or geographical barriers from allowing administration of a COVID-19 vaccine in settings other than their home.
- The member faces challenges that significantly reduce their ability to get vaccinated outside the home, such as challenges with transportation, communication, or caregiving.

Documentation of the clinical status or barriers faced when getting the COVID-19 vaccine outside of the home must be documented in a member's medical record.

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The following place of service (POS) locations qualify for the additional in-home payment:

- A private residence (POS 12)
- Temporary lodging (for example, a hotel or motel, campground, hostel, or homeless shelter) (POS 04,16)
- An apartment in an apartment complex or a unit in an assisted living facility or group home (POS 13)
- Communal spaces of a multi-unit living arrangement (POS 14)

The following place of service (POS) locations do NOT qualify as a home for the additional payment amount:

- Hospitals, skilled nursing facilities (SNFs), and nursing facilities, regardless of whether they are the patient’s permanent residence (POS 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 31, 32, 51, 52)
- Assisted living facilities participating in the CDC’s Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program when their residents are vaccinated through this program

Additional Restrictions:

- Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) only pays the additional amount for administering the COVID-19 vaccine in the home if the sole purpose of the visit is to administer a COVID-19 vaccine. The additional amount will not be paid if another KMAP service is provided in the same home on the same date. In those situations, reimbursement for administering the COVID-19 vaccine will be at the standard amount.
- If the COVID-19 vaccine is administered to more than one patient in a single home on the same day, only one additional payment will be allowed. Additional vaccines would be reimbursed at the standard rate.

Note: The effective date of the policy is June 29, 2021.

The implementation of State policy by the KanCare Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) may vary from the date noted in the Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) bulletins. The **KanCare Open Claims Resolution Log** on the KMAP [Bulletins](#) page documents the MCO system status for policy implementation and any associated reprocessing completion dates, once the policy is implemented.

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