

SEPTEMBER 2021

## KMAP GENERAL BULLETIN 21180

### Synagis Policy Update

Effective September 15, 2021, and retroactive to August 1, 2021, the Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) season will be recognized by Kansas Medicaid, as expanded, due to the inconsistent activity pattern of the virus. Kansas Medicaid will consider additional doses during the off-season based upon the percentage of positive PCR tests as reported [here](#) on the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website.

When the RSV virology in Kansas is reported at 3% or more on the CDC website for two consecutive weeks, Kansas Medicaid will consider RSV prophylaxis prior authorization requests for Synagis®. Additional doses may be approved on a month-to-month basis, depending on the RSV virology. For participants who meet the clinical edit requirements, an approval will include up to two doses. The doses approved during months that are considered off-season months will not count toward the five doses during the traditional RSV season.

Reimbursement for Synagis® is based upon the guidance for billing on the medical benefit and the National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) policies for billing on the pharmacy benefit.

**Note:** The effective date of the policy is August 1, 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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