

To: Keystone First/Keystone First Community HealthChoices (CHC) Providers

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Re: Expansion of Providers for the Administration of SARS-CoV-2 Vaccines and Monoclonal Antibody Therapy

Keystone First/Keystone First CHC (“the Plan”) will follow the guidelines recently released by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS) Medical Assistance (MA) Bulletin (MAB) 01-21-08 regarding expanding the scope of MA enrolled providers who may bill for administration of the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) vaccines and monoclonal antibody therapy.

The Plan currently pays physicians, certified registered nurse practitioners, certified registered midwives, outpatient hospital-based clinics, independent medical/surgical clinics, and licensed pharmacies for the administration of SARS-CoV-2 vaccines. To support the vaccination of our Members/Participants, the Plan is following the guidelines outlined by DHS and will expanded providers who may bill the Plan for the administration of the SARS-CoV-2 vaccines to include the following types:

- Home health agencies
- Ambulance providers
- Renal dialysis centers
- Drug and alcohol outpatient clinics

Additionally, the Plan currently pays physicians, outpatient hospital clinics, and independent medical surgical clinics for the administration of unapproved monoclonal antibody therapies for the treatment of mild to moderate SARS-CoV-2. The Plan will expand this list to include renal dialysis centers.

The administration of SARS-CoV-2 monoclonal antibody therapy to MA beneficiaries by renal dialysis centers can be billed for dates of service on and after the dates that the Emergency Use Authorizations (EUA) were granted by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for CPT codes M0239, M0243, and M0245. CPT code M0239 can only be billed until April 16, 2021, which is the date the FDA revoked the EUA for the monoclonal antibody therapy associated with this CPT code.

The complete MAB, outlining all appropriate procedure codes, national code description, provider type, provider specialty, place of service, pricing and/or informational modifiers if applicable, etc. can be found on the Provider Center under the Coronavirus Vaccine section of the website at

www.keystonefirstpa.com → Providers → Important information regarding COVID-19 vaccines or

www.keystonefirstchc.com → Providers → Important information regarding COVID-19 vaccines.

If you have any questions about this notification, please contact your Provider Account Executive or Provider Services at 1-800-521-6007.