**Important Billing Information for COVID-19 Vaccines**

Dear Medicaid Pharmacy Provider,

Effective 9/9/2021, The Ohio Department of Medicaid will reimburse participating pharmacies $37.98 for administering a third/additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine to eligible members when medically necessary.

Pharmacies should bill the vaccine and administration via an electronic NCPDP claim according to the following instructions:

- Submit each vaccine with the specific approved vaccine NDC for an eligible member.
- Submit claim with a **Basis of Cost Determination (423-DN)** of “15” (Free product or no associated cost) with an associated **Ingredient Cost Submitted (409-D9)** value of $0.00.
- Submit claim with the **Professional Service Code (440-E5)**, populated with an “MA” (Medication Administered) to identify that the product was administered.
- The **Quantity Dispensed (442-E7)** should be submitted with the value that represents the quantity of drug product administered in ML.
- **Days Supply (405-D5)** should be submitted with a value of “1”.
- Vaccines must be administered according to authorized labeling for appropriate ages and dosing interval.
- Submit the vaccine administration fee listed below in the **Incentive Amount Submitted** field (438-E3) on the same claim as the vaccine (i.e., ingredient).

### NCPDP Codes and Allowed Amounts for COVID-19 Vaccine Administration

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- The payment rate for COVID-19 vaccine administration is $37.98 to administer single-dose vaccines. For single-dose vaccine administration claims, the Submission Clarification Code (SCC) should remain blank.

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• The payment rate for COVID-19 vaccine administration requiring a series of two or three doses is $37.98 for each dose administered.
• For multi-dose vaccines, submit 02 (other override) for the initial dose in the SCC field.
• For the second dose, submit 06 (the previous medication was a starter dose and now additional medication is needed to continue treatment) in the SCC field.
• For the third/additional dose, submit 07 (medically necessary) in the SCC field.
• Pharmacies must enter the NPI of the prescriber in the Prescribing Practitioner (411-DB). If the prescriber is the pharmacist, the NPI of the pharmacist may be submitted. If the pharmacy is using a pharmacist NPI, the pharmacy must submit a Submission Clarification Code (SCC) of “42”.

Pharmacy providers with questions regarding fee-for-service program vaccine administration may contact the Change Healthcare Pharmacy Help Desk at 1-877-518-1545. Providers may also send inquiries via email to PBA_OHHelpDesk@changehealthcare.com. Pharmacies billing via NCPDP for managed care members should contact the applicable managed care plan.