

** Important Information **

COVID-19 Vaccine Pharmacy Claim Submission

Effective December 28, 2020, TennCare began reimbursing pharmacy providers through the OptumRx Pharmacy Point of Sale System for the administration of COVID-19 vaccines.

CoverKids and CoverRx claims also follow this guidance.

The following is a list of covered COVID-19 vaccines that are now eligible for pharmacy administration reimbursement.

EAU Approved Product ID	Product Name	Product Limits
59267-1000-01 59267-1000-02 59267-1000-03	COVID-19 (SARS-COV-2) MRNA VACC-PFIZER IM SUSP 30 MCG/0.3ML	Covered 16 years of age and older; 0.3ML per 21 days
80777-0273-10 80777-0273-99	COVID-19 (SARS-COV-2) MRNA VACC-MODERNA IM SUSP 100 MCG/0.5ML	Covered 18 years of age and older; 0.5ML per 28 days

At this time, the cost for the vaccine itself will be covered by the federal government via funding authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

An administration fee, *in line with the current Medicare payment rates*, will be paid to pharmacies that submit claims for covered COVID-19 vaccines within the specified product limits.

- Administration fee for two dose vaccine: first dose \$16.94 / second dose \$28.39
- Administration fee for a single dose vaccine (When available): \$28.39

Claim Submission

When submitting a claim for the COVID-19 vaccine, submission should include the NCPDP fields as depicted below and follow recommended guidance.

NCPDP Field Name	NCPDP Field Number	First Dose	Second Dose (If Applicable)	Single Dose (When available)
Professional Service Code (DUR-PPS)	440-E5	MA = Medication Administration	MA = Medication Administration	MA = Medication Administration
Day Supply	405-D5	1-Day	1-Day	1-Day
Submission Clarification Code (SCC)	420-DK	2 = Other Override	6 = Starter Dose	blank
Ingredient Cost Submitted	409-D9	\$0.01	\$0.01	\$0.01
Basis of Cost Determination	423-DN	15 = Free Product	15 = Free Product	15 = Free Product
Incentive Amount Submitted	438-E3	\$16.94	\$28.39	\$28.39
Product / Service ID / NDC	407-D7	EUA approved NDC	EUA Approved NDC	EUA approved NDC

In accordance with CMS regulations, reimbursement for COVID-19 administration is limited to CMS recognized licensed provider types issuing a patient-specific order. These orders must be kept on file by the ordering and rendering provider. At this time, for claims to pay, pharmacies must submit both the ordering provider's National Provider Identifier (NPI) and valid TN Medicaid ID on the Medicaid claim transaction.

Reminders

- Claims for COVID vaccines are exempt from co-pays and script limits for all TennCare enrollees
- COVID vaccine claims for dual eligible enrollees (Medicare eligible) will receive NCPDP reject 65 "Patient has Medicare Coverage, Bill Medicare"
- If a claim is submitted for a member's second vaccination dose with an NDC from a different manufacturer used with the first dose, the claim will be denied, requiring prior authorization.

**For further questions, please contact the OptumRx Provider Liaisons at:
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