

Provider Memorandum

Important Information Regarding Vaccines for Children

Molina Healthcare of Illinois (Molina) is reminding Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), Rural Health Centers (RHCs), and Encounter Rate Clinics (ERCs), of the billing requirements specifically related to vaccines that are part of the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program, effective with dates of service on or after October 1, 2016.

- As of October 1, 2016, children who qualified for the All Kids Program under both the Title XXI [21] program and the State-funded program no longer qualify for vaccines through the federal VFC program.
- FQHC, RHC, and ERC providers must privately purchase vaccines for administration to the Title XXI [21] and State-funded All Kids eligible children.

FQHCs, RHCs, and ERCs continue to receive their established encounter rate when vaccinating children who qualify for the All Kids program under Title XXI [21] or the State-funded program when there is a billable encounter. A billable encounter is a face-to-face office visit with a physician, advanced practice nurse or physician assistant.

Molina Reimbursement

Molina reimburses vaccines for Title XXI [21] and State-funded children. The FQHC, RHC or ERC should:

- Bill the vaccine on the same claim as the encounter and all other services.
- The GB modifier must be included on the Title XXI [21] and State-funded claims to receive the reimbursement.
 - The GB modifier should *never* be billed on a vaccine for a child who is enrolled in the Title XIX [19] program.
- Bill the actual cost of the vaccine.

To ensure correct claim submission and reimbursement, please verify a child's eligibility status through the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) MEDI system. Participants through age 18, with Title XIX [19] coverage, continue to be eligible for vaccination through the VFC program. There have been no changes to provider billing procedures for vaccination services provided to Title XIX [19] children, or to Molina's reimbursement for these services.

Questions

Providers who have questions, concerns or would like additional training, including how to use the Molina Provider Portal, may contact their provider network managers or email the Provider Network Management Department, at MHILProviderNetworkManagement@MolinaHealthcare.com.

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