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To: Oregon Health Plan (OHP) providers
Coordinated care organizations (CCOs)

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Subject: Additional payment for in-home COVID-19 vaccine administration, effective June 8, 2021

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) can now reimburse providers an additional \$35.50 for administering COVID-19 vaccines to fee-for-service (FFS) OHP or CAWEM members in their home or dwelling, for dates of service on or after **June 8, 2021**. This fee:

- Is in addition to the base vaccine administration rates in the [Oregon Medicaid COVID-19 Provider Guide](#),
- Applies only once per visit for members who are unable to leave to their home or otherwise difficult to reach as described in [the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services \(CMS\) fact sheet about the fee](#), and
- Does not apply to providers paid at an all-inclusive encounter rate for COVID-19 vaccine administration, including Federally Qualified Health Centers, Rural Health Clinics, Indian Health Services and Tribal 638 programs.

The CCO contracts limit OHA's reimbursement of CCO COVID-19 vaccine administration claims to "100% of Medicare reimbursement, using the payment allowance published by CMS."

Why is this happening?

OHA is offering this fee to improve access to COVID-19 vaccines for individuals who have difficulty leaving their homes or are otherwise hard to reach.

What should you do?

Providers: Document the member's clinical status or the barriers they face to getting the vaccine outside the home. When billing OHA for FFS in-home COVID-19 vaccine administrations, bill for the fee as follows in conjunction with the vaccine administration code:

- **Procedure code:** Use M0201 (COVID-19 vaccine administration inside a patient's home; reported only once per home per date of service).
- **Place of Service code:** Use 04 (Homeless Shelter), 12 (Home), 13 (Assisted Living Facility), 14 (Group Home), or 16 (Temporary Housing).

¹ Updated July 6, 2021 to clarify that the in-home vaccination fee should be billed in conjunction with the vaccine administration code.

If you have already administered in-home COVID-19 vaccines that qualify for the new in-home fee, you can adjust previously submitted claims to add the fee.

CCOs: For CCO claims for the in-home COVID-19 vaccine administration fee:

- Reimburse at the \$35.50 per home rate for dates of service on and after June 8, 2021, and reprocess claims as needed to ensure payment at that rate.
- Notify OHA of issues that may delay reprocessing claims for more than thirty (30) calendar days.

Questions?

If you have any questions about this announcement:

- **Providers:** Please contact Provider Services at 800-336-6016 or email dmap.providerservices@dhsosha.state.or.us.
- **CCOs:** Please contact your Account Representative.

Thank you for your continued support of the Oregon Health Plan and the services you provide to our members.