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**To:** Community Birth Providers Freestanding Birth Centers

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**Medicaid Programs** 

Subject: Fee-for-service rate increase for newborn bloodspot screening kits, effective 9/1/2021

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has increased the fee-for-service reimbursement rates for the newborn bloodspot screening kit (supply code S3620). For services provided on or after 9/1/2021:

- The rate for the two-part kit is \$80.00.
- The rate for a replacement kit containing one part only is \$59.00 (add modifier TC to code S3620).
- OHA will accept separate billing for the kits (outside of the bundled rate for newborn delivery).

The next publication of the Oregon Health Plan (OHP) fee-for-service fee schedule will reflect the increase.

The increase applies only to claims billed to OHA by enrolled OHP providers for members not enrolled in a coordinated care organization (CCO).

## Why is this happening?

Based on feedback from the community birth provider/midwifery community, OHA has increased the rates to align with the current cost of obtaining collection kits from the Oregon State Public Health Laboratory Northwest Regional Newborn Bloodspot Screening (NWRNBS) Program. OHA is committed to adjusting these rates to align with any future changes to NWRNBS Program fees.

## What should you do?

For screening kits provided on or after 9/1/2021, bill OHA at the increased rates. For previously submitted claims, please adjust claims as described in the <u>Claim Adjustment Handbook</u>.

As with all Medicaid claiming, correct coding and documentation of services provided must be on file to justify the claim. Please refer to <u>Oregon Administrative Rules</u> and the <u>OHP billing page</u> for guidance.

## Questions?

- For services billed to OHA, please contact the Provider Services Unit at <a href="mailto:dmap.providerservices@dhsoha.state.or.us">dmap.providerservices@dhsoha.state.or.us</a> or call 800-336-6016. We are available Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (including lunch hours).
- For services billed to the CCO, please contact the member's CCO.

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