

Oregon Health Plan (OHP) coverage of pharmacist-administered monoclonal antibody treatment effective September 1, 2021

Effective September 1, 2021, the OHP will reimburse enrolled pharmacists for subcutaneous administration of COVID-19 monoclonal antibodies (mAb) with REGEN-COV™ (casirivimab and imdevimab) when provided to members eligible for mAb treatment.

- Consideration for treatment with mAb should be centered in equity, with an understanding that communities of color, tribal communities and the disability communities are among the most highly impacted by COVID-19 because of systemic racism and structural discrimination.
- Pharmacists may be reimbursed for providing REGEN-COV™ in all settings where mAb may be appropriately and safely administered (including hospital, clinic, pharmacy, the patient's home, or other settings).

Why is this happening?

On 8/31/2021, the Public Health and Pharmacy Formulary Advisory Committee approved a protocol for pharmacists prescribing and providing subcutaneous administration of REGEN-COV™ for COVID-19 treatment and post-exposure prophylaxis.

On 9/1/2021, the Oregon Board of Pharmacy filed Oregon Administrative Rule 855-020-0300 (Protocol Compendium), to add this protocol to the list of approved statewide drug therapy management protocols for Oregon pharmacists.

What should you do?

Review the new drug therapy management protocol for REGEN-COV™ at https://www.oregon.gov/pharmacy/Documents/COVID_mAb_Protocol.pdf.

- This includes the training and education pharmacists must complete before prescribing or administering REGEN-COV™.

Review OHA's Oregon Medicaid COVID-19 Provider Guide at bit.ly/OHP-COVID-Guide.

- This includes current coverage criteria, billing codes and rates for mAb treatment.
- Bill the member's coordinated care organization (CCO), or the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) for members not enrolled in a CCO.

When billing for mAb treatment:

- Only bill for REGEN-COV™ administration (not the drug product). REGEN-COV™ is obtained at no cost through the federal HHS allocation and not eligible for billing.
- Please refer to individual billing codes for administration dependent on product.

Questions?

- **About pharmacy point of sale and prior authorizations for fee-for-service prescriptions:** Call the Oregon Pharmacy Call Center at 888-202-2126.
- **About physical health prescriptions for patients in a CCO:** Contact the CCO.
- **Patient questions or concerns:** Please share our Client Services toll-free number with OHP patients: 800-273-0557. Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.