

## Oregon Medicaid Coverage of COVID-19 Vaccine Administration

The Oregon Health Plan (OHP) covers the administration of COVID-19 vaccine supplied to providers through allocations from the federal government. This applies to vaccine administrations that:

- Are delivered to Citizenship Waived Medical (CWM) members and OHP members;
- Are ordered and administered by qualified practitioners, pharmacies, or staff; and
- Meet FDA's Emergency Use Authorization criteria for the vaccine.

This fact sheet explains how providers can enroll to become COVID-19 immunization providers and bill the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) for fee-for-service (FFS) COVID-19 vaccine administration.

- **If you have questions about dental care organization (DCO) or coordinated care organization (CCO) coverage**, please contact the DCO or CCO.
- **To learn about Oregon's vaccine distribution strategy and information for COVID-19 immunization providers**, visit [OHA's COVID-19 for Health Care Providers page](#).

### Provider enrollment

#### Enrollment as an Oregon immunization provider

Providers must first be enrolled with OHA as a COVID-19 immunization provider. To do this:

- First, complete required ALERT IIS user and inventory training as described on OHA's [COVID-19 Training for Vaccine Providers page](#).
- After that, register using [OHA's online registration system](#).
  - **Existing immunization providers** will log in with their ALERT IIS Organization Code or Vaccines for Children PIN.
  - **New providers** will use the Alert IIS Organization Code issued by OHA following completion of required Alert IIS required training, user agreement and confidentiality forms.

To learn more, [view OHA's instructions and checklists for COVID-19 vaccine provider enrollment](#).

#### Medicaid provider enrollment

To receive payment from OHP, providers must be OHP-enrolled; however, providers that are not currently enrolled with OHP should not delay administering vaccine to OHP or CWM members.

- OHA has made enrollment as streamlined as possible and will extend provider enrollment retroactively, if necessary, to cover prior dates of service.
- Unless there is evidence of a provider exclusion or license discipline, OHP is enrolling all providers administering COVID-19 vaccine to OHP members.

To learn more about enrolling as an OHP provider, [visit the OHP Provider Enrollment page](#).

#### Children's COVID-19 and flu immunizations at OHP-enrolled pharmacies

To increase the number of places OHP-eligible children and families can go to access flu and COVID-19 immunizations, OHA will not require Vaccines for Children (VFC) program enrollment for:

- Any OHP provider administering children’s COVID-19 immunizations; or
- Any OHP-enrolled pharmacies providing children’s flu immunizations, for the duration of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

Pharmacies will need to enroll in the VFC program to provide any other children’s immunizations.

### **“No Wrong Door” policy for providers serving FFS and CCO members**

OHA has implemented a “No Wrong Door” policy to ensure access for both FFS and CCO members who present themselves at any OHP-enrolled COVID-19 vaccine provider location to receive a COVID-19 vaccination.

- Providers contracted with the member’s CCO should bill the CCO.
- Providers **not** contracted with the CCO should bill OHA. Be sure to also contact your local CCO(s) to explore direct contracting options. Find contact information at [bit.ly/cco-contacts](https://bit.ly/cco-contacts).

### **Counseling**

Counseling patients about COVID-19 vaccine, including advising them about the risks from getting and not getting vaccinated, is covered by OHP.

- Reimbursement for up to 20 minutes of counseling, when provided at the same visit as a vaccine administration, is included under the vaccine administration codes.
- Reimbursement is available for time spent counseling at a vaccine administration visit in excess of 20 minutes. See billing details below.
- Reimbursement for counseling that does not occur at a vaccination visit is available under covered Evaluation and Management codes.

### **For additional/booster doses:**

Instruct members to get second dose vaccines on the date specified by the manufacturer’s product labeling for products that require a second dose.

[For guidance about additional doses for the immunocompromised and booster doses, please refer to OHA’s COVID-19 immunization protocol.](#) This document contains current guidance for COVID-19 immunization providers, including the COVID-19 vaccine schedule, recommendations for use, contraindications, warnings and precautions, and other considerations.

### **Billing**

- Only bill for the vaccine administration, not the serum.
- Use diagnosis code Z23 (Encounter for immunization).
- Dentists billing OHA for vaccine administration are subject to [OAR 410-123-1262](#).

### **Professional claim format**

Enrolled physical health, dental and pharmacy providers may bill OHA for FFS COVID-19 vaccine administration using the professional claim format, as described below.

- To bill for counseling provided during the administration visit that exceeds 20 minutes, add modifier 22.
- On all claims related to COVID-19, also add modifier CR (Catastrophe/Disaster).

**Ages 6 months through 4 years**

Code	Description	Effective	Rate
0081A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Infant/Toddler First Dose	6/19/2022	\$40.00
0082A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Infant/Toddler Second Dose	6/19/2022	\$40.00
0083A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Infant/Toddler Third Dose	6/19/2022	\$40.00

**Ages 6 months through 5 years**

Code	Description	Effective	Rate
0111A	Moderna – Infant/Toddler First Dose	6/19/2022	\$40.00
0112A	Moderna – Infant/Toddler Second Dose	6/19/2022	\$40.00

**Ages 5 to 11 years**

Code	Description	Effective	Rate
0071A	Pfizer-BioNTech Pediatric – First Dose	11/2/2021	\$40.00
0072A	Pfizer-BioNTech Pediatric – Second Dose	11/2/2021	\$40.00
0073A	Pfizer-BioNTech Pediatric – Third Dose	1/3/2022	\$40.00
0074A	Pfizer-BioNTech Pediatric – Booster Dose	5/17/2022	\$40.00

**Ages 12 years and older**

Code	Description	Minimum age	Effective	Rates	
				Through 3/14/2021	On or after 3/15/2021
0001A	Pfizer-BioNTech – First Dose	16 years	12/13/2020	\$16.94	\$40.00
0001A	Pfizer-BioNTech – First Dose	12 years	5/13/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0051A	Pfizer-BioNTech – First Dose (preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation)	12 years	10/29/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0002A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Second Dose	16 years	12/13/2020	\$28.39	\$40.00
0002A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Second Dose	12 years	5/13/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0052A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Second Dose (preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation)	12 years	10/29/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0003A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Third Dose	12 years	8/12/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0053A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Third Dose (preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation)	12 years	10/29/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0004A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Booster Dose	18 years	9/22/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0004A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Booster Dose	16 years	12/09/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0004A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Booster Dose	12 years	1/5/2022	N/A	\$40.00
0054A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Booster Dose (preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation)	12 years	10/29/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0124A	Pfizer-BioNTech – Booster Dose (preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tri-sucrose bivalent formulation)	12 years	9/01/2022	N/A	\$40.00
0011A	Moderna – First Dose	18 years	12/18/2020	\$16.94	\$40.00
0012A	Moderna – Second Dose	18 years	12/18/2020	\$28.39	\$40.00
0013A	Moderna – Third Dose	18 years	8/12/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0064A	Moderna – Booster Dose	18 years	10/21/2021	N/A	\$40.00

Code	Description	Minimum age	Effective	Rates	
				Through 3/14/2021	On or after 3/15/2021
0094A	Moderna – Booster Dose	18 years	3/29/2022	N/A	\$40.00
0134A	Moderna – Booster Dose (preservative free, 50 mcg/0.5 mL dosage, bivalent)	18 years	9/01/2022	N/A	\$40.00
91303	Johnson & Johnson – Janssen Vaccine	18 years	2/28/2021	N/A	N/A
0031A	Johnson & Johnson – Janssen – Single Dose	18 years	2/28/2021	\$28.39	\$40.00
0034A	Johnson & Johnson – Janssen – Booster Dose	18 years	10/21/2021	N/A	\$40.00
0041A	Novavax – First Dose	18 years	7/19/2022	N/A	\$40
0041A	Novavax – First Dose	12 years	8/22/2022	N/A	\$40
0042A	Novavax - Second Dose	18 years	7/19/2022	N/A	\$40
0042A	Novavax - Second Dose	12 years	8/22/2022	N/A	\$40

\* OHP updated rates on 3/16/2021. OHP will work with you to adjust claims if you were paid the wrong rate on 3/15/2021.

### Institutional claim format

For hospital inpatient FFS COVID-19 vaccine administration, split bill as an outpatient service as follows:

- Type of Bill: 131
- Statement Covers Period (From and To Dates): Use the discharge date of the inpatient claim.
- Condition Code: DR (Disaster-Related)
- Revenue Code: 771

### Pharmacy point of sale claims

To bill OHA, enter information as follows. OHA will pay the fee (“Incentive Amount”) listed below.

Separate reimbursement for counseling is not available through point of sale. To bill for more than 20 minutes of counseling or counseling that does not occur during the vaccine administration visit, use the professional claim format.

NCPDP Field	Multi-Dose Vaccines					Single-Dose Vaccines	
	Rates through 3/14/2021		Rates on and after 3/15/2021*			Rates through 3/14/2021	Rates on and after 3/15/2021
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	3 <sup>rd</sup> Dose		
Professional Service Code 440-E5	MA	MA	MA	MA	MA	MA	MA
Service Clarification Code 452-DK	2	6	2	6	7	<leave blank>	<leave blank>
Incentive Amount 483-E3	\$16.94	\$28.39	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$28.39	\$40.00
Basis of Cost 423-DN	15	15	15	15	15	15	15

## Multi-Dose Vaccines

## Single-Dose Vaccines

NCPDP Field	Rates through 3/14/2021		Rates on and after 3/15/2021*			Rates through 3/14/2021	Rates on and after 3/15/2021
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	3 <sup>rd</sup> Dose		
<b>Ingredient Cost 409-D9</b>	\$0.00 or \$0.01	\$0.00 or \$0.01	\$0.00 or \$0.01	\$0.00 or \$0.01	\$0.00 or \$0.01	\$0.00 or \$0.01	\$0.00 or \$0.01

\*OHP updated rates on 3/16/2021. OHP will work with you to adjust claims if you were paid the wrong rate on 3/15/2021.

### Additional payment for in-home COVID-19 vaccine administrations

OHA can reimburse providers an additional \$35.50 for administering COVID-19 vaccines to FFS OHP or CWM 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 listed above,
- 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.

Code	Description	Place of Service Code	Effective Date	Rate
<b>M0201</b>	COVID-19 vaccine administration inside a patient's home; reported only once per home per date of service	04 (Homeless Shelter) 12 (Home) 13 (Assisted Living Facility) 14 (Group Home) 16 (Temporary Housing)	06/08/2021	\$35.50

### Situations where the additional payment applies:

Providers may provide in-home vaccinations to patients who are unable to leave their home or otherwise difficult to reach. For example, the individual:

- Has a condition that makes them more susceptible to contracting a pandemic disease such as COVID-19.
- Is generally unable to leave the home, and if they do leave home it requires a considerable and taxing effort.
- Has a disability or faces clinical, socioeconomic, or geographical barriers to getting a COVID-19 vaccine in settings other than their home.
- Faces challenges that significantly reduce their ability to get vaccinated outside the home, such as challenges with transportation, communication, or caregiving.

### Locations where the additional payment applies:

To be eligible for the additional payment, the COVID-19 vaccine may be administered in these locations:

- A private residence
- Temporary lodging (for example, a hotel or motel, campground, hostel, or homeless shelter)
- An apartment in an apartment complex or a unit in an assisted living facility or group home

- A patient's home is provider-based to a hospital during the COVID-19 public health emergency (i.e., [hospital at home](#))

You must document the patient's clinical status or the barriers they face to getting the vaccine outside the home.

## Frequently asked questions

### **Are OHP or CWM members required to pay for their COVID-19 vaccinations?**

No. OHP and CWM members should not be billed under any circumstance nor should they be requested to make "voluntary" payments.

### **If a member has both Medicare and Medicaid coverage, who pays?**

Bill Medicare as the primary payer.

### **Can members use Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) services for vaccine appointments?**

Yes. OHP members can use NEMT to travel to the nearest local COVID-19 vaccination clinic, including alternative sites (e.g., fairgrounds, drive-through locations).

Additionally, OHP members receiving Medicaid-funded personal care services from a homecare worker (HCW) or personal support worker (PSW) may be transported to the nearest local COVID-19 vaccination clinic, including alternative sites, by their HCW/PSW. These members should contact their local case management entity for more information and prior authorization.