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TO: All Providers Participating in MassHealth

FROM: Mike Levine, Medicaid Director 

RE: Coverage and Reimbursement Policy for Vaccine Counseling

Background

This bulletin supersedes [All Provider Bulletin 321](#), which specified coverage of COVID-19 vaccine counseling services. Through this bulletin, MassHealth is adding specific codes for stand-alone vaccine counseling services.

Billing for Vaccine Counseling Services

Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2023, providers enrolled in the MassHealth acute outpatient hospital, community health center (CHC), and physician programs may bill and receive payment for providing clinically appropriate, medically necessary stand-alone vaccine counseling services using the codes below. The Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) will formally establish these rates, which are consistent with existing preventive medicine counseling rates, through administrative bulletins or amendments to relevant pricing regulations.

Code	Description	Rate NFAC ¹	Rate FAC ²	Effective Date
G0310	Immunization counseling by a physician or other qualified health care professional when the vaccine(s) is not administered on the same date of service, 5-15 mins time.	\$31.06	\$19.17	02/01/2023
G0311	Immunization counseling by a physician or other qualified health care professional when	\$50.81	\$39.21	02/01/2023

¹ NFAC – “Nonfacility.” These amounts apply when the service is performed in a nonfacility setting.

² FAC – “Facility.” These amounts, also known as the Facility Setting Fee, apply when the service is performed in a facility setting.

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Code	Description	Rate NFAC¹	Rate FAC²	Effective Date
	the vaccine(s) is not administered on the same date of service, 16-30 mins time.			
G0312	Immunization counseling by a physician or other qualified health care professional when the vaccine(s) is not administered on the same date of service for ages under 21, 5-15 mins time. (This code is used for Medicaid billing purposes.)	\$31.06	\$19.17	02/01/2023
G0313	Immunization counseling by a physician or other qualified health care professional when the vaccine(s) is not administered on the same date of service for ages under 21, 16-30 mins time.	\$50.81	\$39.21	02/01/2023
G0314	Immunization counseling by a physician or other qualified health care professional for COVID-19, ages under 21, 16-30 mins time.	\$50.81	\$39.21	02/01/2023
G0315	Immunization counseling by a physician or other qualified health care professional for COVID-19, ages under 21, 5-15 mins time.	\$31.06	\$19.17	02/01/2023

Physicians rendering these vaccine counseling services must do so in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, and contracts, including 130 CMR 433.000: *Physician Services*, 130 CMR 410.000: *Outpatient Hospital Services*, and the Rate Year 2022 Acute Hospital Request for Applications and Contract, as amended. CHCs rendering these COVID-19 counseling services must do so in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations, including 130 CMR 405.000: *Community Health Center Services*.

Providers may bill for either an individual medical visit or vaccine counseling services, but may not bill for both in a single visit. MassHealth will issue transmittal letters that formally add these codes to the relevant provider manuals.

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Providers should not use codes 99401, 99402, 99403, and 99404 for vaccine counseling services for dates of service on or after February 1, 2023.

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