




**MassHealth
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TO: Home Health Agencies Participating in MassHealth
FROM: Julian J. Harris, M.D., Medicaid Director 
RE: Coverage of Seasonal Influenza Vaccinations

Background This bulletin contains MassHealth payment and coverage policies and billing instructions for the seasonal influenza vaccine administered by home health agencies to MassHealth members in the absence of a skilled nursing visit or office visit.

Eligible Members Eligible individuals are MassHealth members who are eligible to receive home health services and who have not received the seasonal flu vaccine as part of a home visit or office visit.

Eligible Providers Effective November 4, 2011, MassHealth pays home health agencies to administer the seasonal influenza vaccine, as described in this bulletin.

Payment and Billing for Seasonal Influenza Administration MassHealth will make a separate payment to home health agencies to administer the seasonal flu vaccine to eligible MassHealth members in the absence of a skilled nursing visit or office visit. Home health agencies must submit a separate claim for each member vaccinated, and bill as follows.

Service Description	Service Code	Diagnosis Code	Administration Fee
Immunization administration (includes percutaneous, intradermal, subcutaneous, or intramuscular injections); one vaccine (single or combination vaccine/toxoid)	90471	V04.81	\$13.76
Immunization administration by intranasal or oral route; one vaccine (single or combination vaccine/ toxoid)	90473	V04.81	\$9.06

Questions If you have any questions about the information in this bulletin, please contact MassHealth Customer Service at 1-800-841-2900, e-mail your inquiry to providersupport@mahealth.net, or fax your inquiry to 617-988-8974.