

## Michigan Department of Community Health

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**Subject:** Coverage and Reimbursement of the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine

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**Programs Affected:** Medicaid, Adult Benefits Waiver (ABW), Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) and Maternity Outpatient Medical Services (MOMS)

This bulletin notifies providers of important information of policy and requirements to administer the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine for dates of service on or after September 15, 2009. The bulletin includes the following:

- The Michigan Department of Community Health's (MDCH's) coverage of the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine
- Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) and Common Procedural Terminology (CPT®) code changes that will be implemented by MDCH
- Important information for providers who want to offer the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine

### I. MDCH Medicaid Coverage and Reimbursement Information

#### Coverage of the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Monovalent Vaccine

The 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine will be covered when given according to the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations. Licensed vaccines to prevent the 2009 H1N1 virus are expected to be available by October 2009.

#### Vaccine Administration Coverage

Coverage for the administration of the 2009 influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine will be similar to existing vaccine administration codes billed to Medicaid. Please refer to Section 4.12 in the Practitioner Chapter and Section 6.4 of the Billing and Reimbursement for Professionals Chapter of the Medicaid Provider Manual for detailed information regarding billing and reimbursement for vaccine administration. The Medicaid Provider Manual can be found on the MDCH website at [www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders](http://www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders) >> Policy and Forms.

#### Billing and Reimbursement

The 2009 influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine is being procured and purchased by the federal government; therefore, it will be made available to Medicaid providers at no cost. Medicaid will not reimburse providers for the free vaccine.

Since the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine will be provided for free, providers may bill and receive reimbursement for the administration fee. Billing Medicaid for the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine will be no different than billing for other vaccines. As with other vaccines, providers must bill the procedure code, its NDC supplemental information and the cost of the drug (\$0.00). Like other

vaccines billed to the program, Medicaid accepts either the HCPCS code or the CPT code on the claim but not both.

Listed below are the new HCPCS and CPT codes covered by MDCH. The coding information provided is based on the most recent file from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and from the American Medical Association (AMA) CPT Category I Vaccine Codes respectively. Refer to the CMS website at [www.cms.hhs.gov](http://www.cms.hhs.gov) >> Regulations and Guidance >> Transmittals >> 2009 Transmittals >> R1801CP and to the AMA's CPT 2009 Professional Edition respectively for full descriptions of the codes.

Information regarding the fee screens and coverage parameters for these new codes will be located in the appropriate databases available on the MDCH website at [www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders](http://www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders) >> Billing and Reimbursement >> Provider Specific Information.

## II. New 2009 HCPCS Procedure Codes Covered By MDCH

G9141 – Influenza A (H1N1) immunization administration

G9142 - Influenza A (H1N1) vaccine, any route of administration

### Extended coverage for CPT Code Covered By MDCH

90663 – Influenza virus vaccine, pandemic formulation

## III. MDCH Division of Immunization Information for the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Vaccine

### Immunization Enrollment in the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Vaccination Program

**Providers who administer 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) vaccine must be enrolled in the 2009 Influenza H1N1 Vaccine program.** Information on this enrollment can be found at [www.michigan.gov/flu](http://www.michigan.gov/flu) >> Novel H1N1 >> Clinicians >> Information for Providers Interested in the H1N1 program. If you have additional questions on enrollment into the program, contact your Local Health Department (LHD). A directory of the LHDs can be found at [www.michigan.gov/mdch](http://www.michigan.gov/mdch) >> Resources for Local Health Department Administrators >> LHD Contact Information.

## IV. 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Web Resources

State of Michigan's flu website: [www.michigan.gov/flu](http://www.michigan.gov/flu)

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services flu website: [www.flu.gov](http://www.flu.gov)

## Manual Maintenance

Retain this bulletin until the information has been incorporated onto MDCH's website and respective Medicaid databases.

## Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mail at [ProviderSupport@michigan.gov](mailto:ProviderSupport@michigan.gov). When you submit an e-mail, be sure to include your name, affiliation, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

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