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OFFICIAL NOTICE

TO: Health Care Providers – All Providers

DATE: August 19, 2021

SUBJECT: Third Dose COVID-19 Vaccination Shots

I. <u>General Information</u>

Due to guidance issued by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), third doses of the COVID-19 vaccination shots will be available:

COVID-19 Third Dose for Moderately to Severely Immunocompromised People (Click here for the FDA EUA (Emergency Use Authorization)

The correct procedure codes that must be used to file a claim for administration of these shots are set out in the tables in this Official Notice.

The Effective Dates for the COVID-19 Third Dose are:

Beginning Date:	Thursday, August 12, 2021
Ending Date:	End of the Public Health Emergency (PHE)

II. <u>Authorized Providers</u>

The following Arkansas Medicaid providers will continue to be authorized to administer COVID-19 vaccinations:

- Physicians
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) which include the following:
 - o Certified Nurse Practitioner
 - Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA)
 - Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)
 - Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)
- Rural Health Centers (RHC)
- Pharmacy Licensed Providers who are enrolled to provide vaccines (pursuant to SPA No. 20-0024, Eff. 12/8/2020):
 - Pharmacists
 - Pharmacy Interns
 - Pharmacy Technicians
 - Pharmacies
- Arkansas Department of Health (ADH)

• Hospitals (in the outpatient setting)

III. <u>Record Keeping</u>

All providers listed herein should maintain accurate records for auditing purposes.

If you administer a third vaccine dose on or after August 12, 2021, consistent with the FDA's updated Emergency Use Authorizations (EUA), acknowledge and document (e.g., in the medical record) your patient's self-reported qualifying conditions for the third vaccine dose.

IV. Payment of Claims

Providers will continue to be allowed to file claims for the Third Dose for three-hundred and sixty-five (365) days from the DOS (Date of Service).

V. <u>NEW Procedure Codes</u>

Providers must use the following procedure codes for <u>COVID-19 VACCINE</u> <u>ADMINISTRATION ONLY</u>.

The Effective Date for the Third Dose August 12, 2021.

Procedure Code	Description	Manufacturer	Rate*
0003A	ADM SARSCOV2 30MCG/0.3ML 3RD (Pfizer- Biontech Covid-19 Vaccine Administration – Third Dose)	Vaccine Admin (Pfizer)	\$40.00
0013A	ADM SARSCOV2 100MCG/0.5ML3RD (Moderna Covid-19 Vaccine Administration – Third Dose)	Vaccine Admin (Moderna)	\$40.00

***NOTE:** The temporary rate increase for vaccination administration does not apply to the Third Dose, and does not apply to the procedure codes in the above table.

VI. EXISTING Procedure Codes

The **temporary** rate increase for the procedure codes in the table below applies <u>ONLY</u> during the sixty (60)-day timeframe set out for administration of COVID-19 vaccinations in <u>Official Notice ON-008-21</u>:

Beginning Date:Friday, August 13, 2021Ending Date:Monday, October 11, 2021

The vaccine administration rate will revert back to \$40.00 for the **Dates of Service (DOS)** October 12, 2021 through the end of the PHE. The existing Procedure Codes for administration of the 1st and 2nd doses (Pfizer and Moderna) and the Johnson & Johnson Single Dose are:

Procedure Code	Description	Manufacturer	Temporary Administration Rate
0001A	IMMUNIZATION ADMINISTRATION BY INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTION OF SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS 2 (SARS-COV-2) (CORONAVIRUS DISEASE [COVID-19]) VACCINE, MRNA- LNP, SPIKE PROTEIN, PRESERVATIVE FREE, 30 MCG/0.3ML DOSAGE, DILUENT RECONSTITUTED; FIRST DOSE	Vaccine Admin (Pfizer)	\$100.00
0002A	IMMUNIZATION ADMINISTRATION BY INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTION OF SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS 2 (SARS-COV-2) (CORONAVIRUS DISEASE [COVID-19]) VACCINE, MRNA- LNP, SPIKE PROTEIN, PRESERVATIVE FREE, 30 MCG/0.3ML DOSAGE, DILUENT RECONSTITUTED; SECOND DOSE	Vaccine Admin (Pfizer)	\$100.00
0011A	IMMUNIZATION ADMINISTRATION BY INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTION OF SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS 2 (SARS-COV-2) (CORONAVIRUS DISEASE [COVID-19]) VACCINE, MRNA- LNP, SPIKE PROTEIN, PRESERVATIVE FREE, 100 MCG/0.5ML DOSAGE; FIRST DOSE	Vaccine Admin (Moderna)	\$100.00
0012A	IMMUNIZATION ADMINISTRATION BY INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTION OF SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS 2 (SARS-COV-2) (CORONAVIRUS DISEASE [COVID-19]) VACCINE, MRNA- LNP, SPIKE PROTEIN, PRESERVATIVE FREE, 100 MCG/0.5ML DOSAGE; SECOND DOSE	Vaccine Admin (Moderna)	\$100.00
0031A	IMMUNIZATION ADMINISTRATION BY INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTION OF SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS 2 (SARS-COV-2) (CORONAVIRUS DISEASE [COVID-19]) VACCINE, DNA, SPIKE PROTEIN, ADENOVIRUS TYPE 26 (AD26) VECTOR, PRESERVATIVE FREE, 5X10^10 VIRAL PARTICLES/0.5ML DOSAGE, SINGLE DOSE	Vaccine Admin (Johnson & Johnson)	\$100.00

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The existing procedure codes and rates for the **Vaccination Medication** alone will remain the same:

Procedure Code	Description	Manufacturer	Rate
91300	SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS 2 (SARS-COV-2) (CORONAVIRUS DISEASE [COVID-19]) VACCINE, MRNA-LNP, SPIKE PROTEIN, PRESERVATIVE FREE, 30 MCG/0.3ML DOSAGE, DILUENT RECONSTITUTED, FOR INTRAMUSCULAR USE	Vaccine Medication (Pfizer)	\$0.01
91301	SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS 2 (SARS-COV-2) (CORONAVIRUS DISEASE [COVID-19]) VACCINE, MRNA-LNP, SPIKE PROTEIN, PRESERVATIVE FREE, 100 MCG/0.5ML DOSAGE, FOR INTRAMUSCULAR USE	Vaccine Medication (Moderna)	\$0.01
91303	SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS 2 (SARS-COV-2) (CORONAVIRUS DISEASE [COVID-19]) VACCINE, DNA, SPIKE PROTEIN, ADENOVIRUS TYPE 26 (AD26) VECTOR, PRESERVATIVE FREE, 5X10^10 VIRAL PARTICLES/0.5ML DOSAGE, FOR INTRAMUSCULAR USE	Vaccine Medication (Johnson & Johnson)	\$0.01

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Thank you for your participation in the Arkansas Medicaid Program.

/s/ Elizabeth Pitman

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