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ATTENTION: Pharmacies

FROM: South Dakota Medicaid

RE: Pharmacy Administered Vaccines and Lab Tests

South Dakota Medicaid is clarifying its coverage of vaccines provided by pharmacies and certain lab tests performed by a pharmacy under a collaborative agreement. South Dakota Medicaid covers vaccines provided by a pharmacy in accordance with [ARSD Chapter 20:51:28](#).

The associated administration fee is covered and must be billed using CPT code 90471, immunization administration, single or CPT code 90473, immunization administration oral/nasal. Both the associated administration procedure code and the vaccine procedure code must be listed on the claim. The administration code must be listed first, on the claim in order for the claim to pay. Remember when billing on a CMS 1500 to bill with units, not milliliters.

Vaccine claims must be submitted on the CMS 1500 claim form. CMS 1500 billing instructions are available in the Professional Services Billing Manual, which is available online at <https://dss.sd.gov/medicaid/providers/billingmanuals/>. Flu vaccine claims do not require a physician or other licensed practitioner order. All other vaccines must include the ordering physician or other licensed practitioner's name and NPI number in box 17b of the claim form.

South Dakota Medicaid also covers Strep A tests, CPT code 87880 and flu tests, CPT 87804, conducted by a pharmacist in accordance with a collaborative agreement as described in [SDCL 36-11-19.1](#). These services must be billed on a CMS 1500 claim form. The QW modifier must be listed on the claim. The claim must include the name and NPI number of ordering or referring physician or other licensed practitioner in box 17b. All Medicaid recipients in the primary care provider (PCP) or health home (HH) programs require a referral from their PCP or HH prior to a pharmacy providing these tests in order for the claim to be paid. Pharmacies should verify a recipient's eligibility and PCP/HH status using the provider online portal prior to providing the service. More information regarding the online portal is available on our website at <https://dss.sd.gov/medicaid/portal.aspx>.

Please note that pharmacies must comply with South Dakota Medicaid's record retention requirements in [ARSD Ch. 67:16:34](#). Records must be retained at least 6 years. Pharmacies must keep records of the administration of the flu shot. Test results must be retained and pharmacies must retain records of the manufacturer, lot number, and expiration date of the test kit.

Thank you,

South Dakota Medicaid

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