Connecticut Medical Assistance Program

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Provider Bulletin 2023-31 April 2023

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TO: All Providers

RE: Sunsetting Provider Bulletins Issued in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

Effective for dates of service on or after May 12, 2023, which is the first day after the federal COVID-19 public health emergency declaration ends, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is sunsetting COVID-19 Response provider bulletins (PBs) and the COVID-19 Information and FAQs issued during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE). This update applies to services rendered under HUSKY A, B, C, D and Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waivers.

DSS will be issuing updated guidance related to telehealth and other policies where applicable. The updated guidance will take precedence over any COVID-19 policies that were published in response to the PHE.

The following PBs will be end dated for all providers effective for dates of service May 12, 2023, and forward:

- PB 2020-10 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 1: Emergency Temporary Telemedicine Coverage
- PB 2020-12 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 2: Laboratory
 Testing Coverage
- PB 2020-14 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 4: Expanded
 Telemedicine and New Audio-Only
 (Telephonic) Services
- PB 2020-18 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 15: Emergency
 MEDS Program Changes

- PB 2020-19 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 7: Enhanced Care
 Clinic (ECC) Access Requirements
- PB 2020-23 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 8: Emergency Temporary Telemedicine Coverage for Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy & Speech Therapy Services
- PB 2020-24 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 9: Emergency
 Temporary Telemedicine Coverage
 for Specified Therapy Services
 Rendered at Rehabilitation Clinics
- PB 2020-25 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 10: Expanded
 Use of Synchronized Telemedicine for
 Specified Behavioral Health Group
 Therapy Services and Autism
 Spectrum Disorder Services
- PB 2020-26 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 11: Emergency
 School Based Child Health (SBCH)
 Program Changes
- PB 2020-27 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 12: Waiver of Certain Requirements and Temporary Procedural Changes for Home and Community-Based Waiver Programs
- PB 2020-28 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 13: Emergency
 Temporary Telemedicine
 Coverage/Telephonic Coverage for
 Specified Home Health Services and
 Hospice Services
- PB 2020-29 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 16: Emergency
 Durable Medical Equipment Changes
 Pertaining to Customized Wheelchairs

- PB 2020-30 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 17: Temporary
 Changes to Claim Submission for Coagulation Factor Drugs
- PB 2020-34 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 21: Select Added Services to the Emergency Temporary Telemedicine Coverage/Telephonic Coverage for Specified Home Health Services
- PB 2020-35 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 20: TU Modifier
 Overtime
- PB 2020-36 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 22: Meals on Wheels Changes
- PB 2020-37 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 24: Addition of Laboratory Procedure Codes to the Independent Laboratory Fee Schedule
- <u>PB 2020-38</u> CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 26: Additional Changes to the Synchronized Telemedicine Program
- PB 2020-39 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 25: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation and Non-Emergency Ambulance Transportation
- <u>PB 2020-40</u> CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 34 - Enrollment of CMAP Out-of-State Providers
- PB 2020-42 CMAP COVID-19 Response – Bulletin 27: New COVID-19 Coverage Group for Uninsured Residents
- PB 2020-43 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 28: Emergency Medicaid for Non-Citizens
- PB 2020-44 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 30: Updated Audio-Only Behavioral Health (Telephonic) Services NEW Billing Guidance
- PB 2020-45 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 29: Updated

- Guidance Regarding Audio-Only Telephone Services and Guidance Regarding the Use of Synchronized Telemedicine Services for Supervision of Resident Services
- PB 2020-46 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 35: Emergency
 Updated Telemedicine Guidance
 Pertaining to Customized Wheelchairs
- PB 2020-47 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 31: Updated Synchronized Telemedicine (Audio and Video) Services for Autism Spectrum Disorder Providers
- PB 2020-48 REVISED CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 32: Services Covered under the Optional Medicaid Coverage Group "COVID-19 Testing Group" for Uninsured Connecticut Residents
- PB 2020-49 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 33: Addition of
 Laboratory Procedure Codes to
 Various Fee Schedules and Updating
 the Effective Date of Procedure Code
 U0001 and U002 Previously Added to
 the Consolidated Laboratory Fee
 Schedule
- PB 2020-50 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 36: Wheelchair Assessments Rendered Via Synchronized Telemedicine by Physical and Occupational Therapists
- PB 2020-53 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 37:
 Reauthorizations of Home Health
 Services During the Temporary
 Effective Period as a Result of the
 COVID-19 Public Health Emergency
- PB 2020-68 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 41: Temporary
 Flexibility of Face-to-Face
 Requirements for Home Health
 Evaluations/Assessments
- PB 2020-80 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 45: Emergency SBCH Program Changes

- PB 2020-84 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 42: Clarifying Guidance for Speech and Language Pathology Telemedicine Services Stated in PB 2020-23 and 2020-24
- PB 2020-85 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 43: Updates to the Temporary Telemedicine Coverage for Therapy Services Billed by Home Health Agencies/Access Agencies
- PB 2020-87 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 44: Updated
 Telemedicine Guidance for Physical
 Therapy and Occupational Therapy
 Services
- PB 2020-90 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 46: Clarifying Guidance for Expanded Use of Synchronized Telemedicine for Specified Behavioral Health Services Stated in PB 2020-14 and 2020-44
- PB 2020-102 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 47: Updated
 Billing Guidance Regarding High Throughput Technology Billed Under
 Procedure Codes U0003 and U0004
- PB 2021-05 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 48: COVID-19
 Vaccine Administration Medical Practitioners
- PB 2021-06 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 49: COVID-19
 Vaccine Administration Provided by Pharmacists, Pharmacy Interns and Pharmacy Technicians
- PB 2021-12 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 50: Telemedicine Guidance for Respiratory Care Services
- PB 2021-23 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 51: Updated Guidance COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Medical Practitioners
- PB 2021-25 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 52: UPDATED

- GUIDANCE COVID-19 Vaccine Administration – Provided by Pharmacists, Pharmacy Interns and Pharmacy Technicians
- PB 2021-34 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 54:
 ADDITIONAL Services Covered under the "COVID-19 Testing Group"
- PB 2021-63 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 55:
 ADDITIONAL DOSE COVID-19
 Vaccine Administration for Individuals who are Immunocompromised
- PB 2021-89 CMAP COVID-19 Response Bulletin 56: Booster Doses COVID-19 Vaccine Administration
- PB 2021-91 CMAP COVID-19 Response Bulletin 57: Authorization of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine for Pediatric Administration (ages 5-11 years)
- PB 2022-12 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 58: COVID-19
 Vaccine Counseling-Only for Pediatric Members
- PB 2022-15 CMAP COVID-19 Response - Bulletin 59: Coverage of At Home COVID-19 Over-the-Counter (OTC) Test Kits
- PB 2022-24 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 60: Administration of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19

 Pre-Diluted Vaccine
- PB 2022-60 CMAP COVID-19
 Response Bulletin 61: COVID-19
 Vaccine Administration: Additional
 Adult and Pediatric Booster Codes and
 Vaccinations for Members 6 Months
 to Four Years of Age

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