

Update to MSCAN Enhanced PCP Reimbursement – Effective July 1, 2019

In accordance with MS SPA 15-002, the Mississippi Division of Medicaid (DOM) has elected to reimburse for primary care services at one hundred percent (100%) of the Medicare Physician's Fee Schedule in effect as of January 1 of each year for physicians who meet the requirement of 42 CFR § 447.400(a).

The following provider specialties are eligible for the enhanced reimbursement:

- Provider Specialty Code 000 – General Practitioner
- Provider Specialty Code 004 – Pediatrician
- Provider Specialty Code 006 – OB / GYN
- Provider Specialty Code 012 – Internist
- Provider Specialty Code 031 – Family Practice

Eligible physicians must self-attest that they meet the following qualifications.

- 1) Specialty designation of family medicine, general internal medicine, obstetrics and gynecology (OB/GYN) and pediatric medicine or a subspecialty recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties, the American Board of Physician Specialties, or the American Osteopathic Association, and
- 2) One of the following:
 - i. Board certified in an eligible specialty or subspecialty, OR
 - ii. 60% of total Medicaid paid codes for the previous calendar year were for the specific E&M and Vaccine Administration codes covered.

To the extent that these services (or their successors) are covered under MississippiCAN, the following primary care services are eligible for the enhanced payment:

- Evaluation and Management (E&M) Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Codes 99201 through 99499.
- Vaccine administration Codes 90460 – 90461, 90465, and 90471 – 90474. The final rule also updates the interim regional maximum fees for vaccine administration provided under the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program.

UnitedHealthcare has historically paid these enhanced payments via accounts payable transactions to eligible practitioners outside of the claims processing system.

UnitedHealthcare will begin processing these enhanced primary care payments through the claim adjudication process beginning with July 1, 2019 date of service. Concurrent payment processes will be administered until the enhanced payments have been issued for all historical dates of service prior to July 1, 2019.

Additional information about the DOM Increased Primary Care Payment can be found here: <https://medicaid.ms.gov/qualified-providers-need-to-attest-re-attest-to-receive-increased-primary-care-services-payments/>