

August 5, 2021

Dear Dean Health Plan Provider:

Thank you for your continued dedication and commitment to providing high-quality care to our members during the public health emergency.

This notification contains information regarding:

- In-home COVID-19 vaccine administration.
- COVID-19 monoclonal antibody therapies updates.
- ForwardHealth Medicaid's policies applicable to the Dean Health Plan BadgerCare Plus Managed Care Program.

Information in this notification applies to the following Dean Health Plan products: Commercial (fully insured, including ACA), Dean Administrative Services Only (ASO), WellFirst Health SSM Health Employee Health Plan ASO in Wisconsin, Medicare Advantage, and Medicaid, unless otherwise noted.

In-Home COVID-19 Vaccine Administration

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has established a new HCPCS code for in-home COVID-19 vaccine administration:

- M0201 - COVID-19 vaccine administration inside a patient's home; reported only once per individual home per date of service when only COVID-19 vaccine administration is performed at the patient's home.

For dates of service on and after June 8, 2021, providers receive additional reimbursement for in-home COVID-19 vaccine administration billed with place of service code "12- Home." Dean Health Plan will update fee schedules for in-home COVID-19 vaccine administration as appropriate to specific provider agreements.

Providers should submit claims for in-home vaccine administration to Dean Health Plan, except for Medicare Advantage claims which must be submitted directly to CMS. Refer to CMS guidance for [Medicare Billing for COVID-19 Vaccine Shot Administration](#).

Monoclonal Antibody Therapy Updates

Dean Health Plan continues to monitor monoclonal antibody therapy updates. As of the date of this notice, the following investigational monoclonal antibody therapies are under Food and Drug Administration (FDA) emergency use authorization (EUA):

- Casirivimab and Imdevimab, administered together. See our [COVID-19 Communication: 5/25/21](#).
- Bamlanivimab and Etesevimab, administered together. (Note: The Federal Government is [pausing distribution until further notice](#).)
- Sotrovimab — Effective with [EUA](#) on May 26, 2021. [HCPCS codes](#) are available for the product and administration in a healthcare setting or home.
- Tocilizumab — Effective with [EUA](#) on June 24, 2021. [HCPCS codes](#) are available for the

product and administration in an inpatient setting only.

- Because of the limited clinical situations allowed under EUA, claims for Tocilizumab should be billed on a 12x Type of Bill.
- The EUA for tocilizumab also allows for two infusions to the same patient in limited situations when clinically necessary.

Unlike the other monoclonal antibody therapies, the federal government is not furnishing Sotrovimab or Tocilizumab products for free. Providers may purchase the products through their standard channels.

Member Cost Share

Member cost share continues to be waived for monoclonal antibody therapies under EUA.

Claims

Claims for the Sotrovimab and Tocilizumab administration **and** product should be submitted to Dean Health Plan except for Medicare Advantage claims.

Medicare Advantage

Medicare Advantage claims for COVID-19 monoclonal antibody therapies should be submitted directly to CMS. CMS will not reimburse for the COVID-19 monoclonal antibody products that providers receive for free. When COVID-19 monoclonal antibody doses are provided by the government without charge, providers should only bill for the administration.

Please refer to the CMS [Monoclonal Antibody COVID-19 Infusion web page](#) regularly for the most current EUA, medical documentation, coding, billing, and payment information.

ForwardHealth Medicaid COVID-19 Policies

Dean Health Plan adheres to ForwardHealth Medicaid's policies for the Dean Health Plan BadgerCare Plus Managed Care Program.

Changed Policy for COVID-19 Vaccine Administration

[ForwardHealth no longer allows hospitals to bill COVID-19 vaccine administration on an institutional claim.](#) Therefore, hospitals submitting claims to the Health Plan for Dean Health Plan BadgerCare Plus members with dates of service on and after June 28, 2021, must do so on a professional claim or the service will deny as not billable on claim type.

Allowable COVID-19 and Influenza Laboratory Procedure Codes

ForwardHealth announced that effective for dates of service on and after August 1, 2021, [Current Procedural Terminology laboratory procedure codes 87636, 87637, and 87428 will be allowable](#) on claims from eligible providers who test patients for COVID-19 and influenza virus types A and B concurrently.

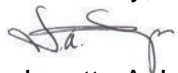
Additional Health Plan Information

For additional health plan information and previous provider communications, refer to our [COVID-19 provider information web page](#) link located at the top of all [deancare.com](#) web pages. Providers are encouraged to check our website regularly for new and updated information.

Please contact your assigned Provider Network Consultant with any questions.

Thank you again for your commitment to our members.

Sincerely,



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