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VACCINE FOR CHILDREN (VFC)

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COVERAGE OF VFC ADMINISTRATION FOR 90650 SL AND 90670 SL

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) is now supplying two new vaccines to providers enrolled in the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program. MO HealthNet reimbursement for the vaccines is for dates of services March 1, 2010 and after. MO HealthNet providers who administer immunizations to qualified eligible children age 18 and under must participate in the VFC program administered by the DHSS and must use the free vaccine provided by the DHSS when administering the vaccine to these children. For more information regarding the specific guidelines of the VFC program, see the contact information listed in this bulletin. The new VFC administration Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes are as follows:

- Human Papilloma virus (HPV) vaccine, bivalent (types 16, 18), 3 dose schedule: Administration Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Code 90650 SL – approved for children ages 9 –18
- Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine, 13 Valent: Administration CPT Code 90670 SL – approved for children ages 6 weeks through 5 years

MO HealthNet reimbursement for the administration of each dose is \$5.00.

COVERAGE OF VFC ADMINISTRATION FOR 90649 SL FOR BOTH MALES AND FEMALES

CPT code 90649 SL, Human Papillomavirus virus vaccine (types 6,11,16,18 (quadrivalent), 3 dose schedule is now licensed for males and females. This vaccine was previously licensed for females only. This is approved for children ages 9 –18.

VFC COVERAGE INFORMATION

If a significant, separately identifiable Evaluation and Management (E/M) service is performed, the appropriate E/M service code should be reported in addition to the vaccine administration code.

Provider based Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) may not separately bill for the administration of an injection regardless of whether or not there is an encounter with a core service provider. The costs for these services are to be included in the RHC and FQHC cost reports.

MO HEALTHNET MANAGED CARE PARTICIPANTS

MO HealthNet Managed Care health plans and their providers must use the VFC vaccine for MO HealthNet eligible health plan participants when available. Plan providers must enroll in the VFC program through the DHSS. Providers should contact the appropriate MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan for proper billing procedures.

VFC PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION REGARDING SPECIFIC GUIDELINES

Department of Health and Senior Services
Section of Vaccine-Preventable & Tuberculosis Disease Elimination
PO Box 570
Jefferson City, MO 65109
(800) 219-3224 or (573) 526-5833
<http://www.dhss.mo.gov/immunizations/VFC-Providers.html>

Provider Bulletins are available on the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) (Formerly the Division of Medical Services) Web site at <http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/bulletins.htm>. Bulletins will remain on the Provider Bulletins page only until incorporated into the [provider manuals](#) as appropriate, then moved to the Archived Bulletin page.

MO HealthNet News: Providers and other interested parties are urged to go to the MHD Web site at <http://dss.missouri.gov/mhd/global/pages/mednewssubscribe.htm> to subscribe to the electronic mailing list to receive automatic notifications of provider bulletins, provider manual updates, and other official MO HealthNet communications via E-mail.

MO HealthNet Managed Care: The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the red MO HealthNet card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-635-8908 and using Option One for the red or white card.

Provider Communications Hotline
573-751-2896