

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Pursuant to
Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-901.03

To: Nebraska Medicaid Managed Care Plans
From: Drew Gonshorowski, Director *DG*
Date: June 30, 2025
Re: Newborn Screening Panel

This health plan advisory is being issued to notify the Heritage Health managed care organizations of upcoming changes in Medicaid coverage of HCPC code S3620 (Newborn Metabolic Screening Panel), **effective July 1, 2025.**

Per Nebraska Revised Statute (Neb. Rev. Stat.) § 71-523(4), the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Division of Public Health is required to contract with a single laboratory to perform newborn screening tests under a set fee. The DHHS contracted laboratory is Revvity Omics.

Nebraska Medicaid is changing the current clinical lab fee schedule to allow coverage of S3620 and align with this requirement and to provide consistency in billing and payment. The S3620 service reimbursement rate will be \$87.65.

This change in coverage is for newborn screening completed outside of an inpatient delivery. For newborn screenings related to inpatient deliveries, the testing will continue to be part of the inpatient DRG payment.

Resources

More information on current panel requirements can be found at:

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/Newborn%20Screening/2018%20Quick%20Reference%20Guide%202nd%20edition%20october%202018.pdf>

If you have questions regarding this advisory, please email:

DHHS.MLTCmaternalhealth@nebraska.gov . Health plans should also copy their contract manager.

You can direct specific questions for Revvity Omics to RevvityGenetics.Information@revvity.com.

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