

**To:** All Providers Participating in the Nebraska Medicaid Program  
**From:** Kevin Bagley, Director *KB*  
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**Re:** Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Season

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This provider bulletin is being issued to notify Medicaid providers of an early start to the 2021/2022 Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) season as recognized by Nebraska Medicaid.

Typically, the RSV season in Nebraska begins in November and extends through March. Due to an early start of detected RSV activity, **the RSV season as recognized by Nebraska Medicaid will begin August 1, 2021 for fee-for-service and managed care claims.**

The existing prior authorization requirements for the prophylaxis of RSV, palivizumab (Synagis), remains the same. An approved prior authorization request will provide coverage for the Synagis series of five doses.

Nebraska Medicaid will continue to closely monitor RSV activity and will provide updated guidance on any ongoing management with Synagis prophylaxis when appropriate.

If you have questions regarding this bulletin, please contact the Nebraska Medicaid Pharmacy Unit via email at: [DHHS.MedicaidPharmacyUnit@nebraska.gov](mailto:DHHS.MedicaidPharmacyUnit@nebraska.gov).

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