Provider Bulletin 21-25



To: All Providers Participating in the Nebraska Medicaid Program

From: Kevin Bagley, Director pate: December 13, 2021

Re: December 2021 COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

This provider bulletin is being issued to notify Medicaid providers of the following:

New updates on booster doses of the COVID-19 vaccine

COVID-19 Booster Doses:

Medicaid will cover booster doses for all Medicaid members ages 16 and older. This supersedes previous guidance in Provider Bulletins 21-19A and 21-21. This new provider bulletin is being issued in light of the recent CDC recommendation that all individuals age 16 and older receive a booster dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.

For Medicaid members age 18 and older, the booster dose should be administered at least 6 months after completing the primary series of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine.

For Medicaid members age 18 and older, the booster dose should be administered at least 2 months after completing the primary series of the J&J/Janssen vaccine.

For Medicaid members 18 and older, a booster dose can be any of the COVID-19 vaccines authorized in the United States.

For Medicaid members ages 16 and 17, the booster dose should be the <u>Pfizer</u> vaccine and should be administered at least 6 months after completing the primary series of the Pfizer vaccine.

If you have questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Medicaid via email at: DHHS.MedicaidPharmacyUnit@nebraska.gov. Health plans should also copy their contract manager.

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