



March 22, 2021

**RE: COVID-19 Vaccine**

**Pharmacy Update: COVID-19 Vaccine Information and Billing Procedures**

- Effective March 15, 2021, SoonerCare’s administration fees for the COVID-19 vaccines will follow the new Medicare COVID-19 vaccine reimbursement rate. For claims already paid for dates of service (DOS) on or after 3/15/21, OHCA will adjust the administration fee reimbursed to \$40.
- All other ACIP-recommended vaccinations will continue to be reimbursed the standard administration fee.
- Pharmacies should continue to follow the billing guidance provided in the previous COVID-19 Vaccine Fax Blast sent out on 3/15/21. Additionally, **single-dose COVID-19 vaccines administered 3/15/21 and later will require an SCC value of “02”** in order to pay correctly. See tables below for a summary of billing guidance.
- **Back-billing will be allowed** for the COVID-19 vaccine for any claims during the Public Health Emergency (PHE). Claims must be submitted for the DOS the vaccine was administered and follow the billing guidelines outlined in the tables below. Otherwise, it will be considered fraudulent billing.
- Claims that are incorrectly billed will be subject to recoupment.
- The day supply will depend on which manufacturer’s vaccine is being administered and is designed to help maintain the safety of our members by preventing doses from inadvertently being administered too soon.
  - Pfizer: 21 days
  - Moderna: 28 days
  - Janssen: 90 days
- All members that meet the age requirements based on the FDA Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for each specific COVID-19 vaccine will have a \$0 copay for the vaccine. Please contact the Pharmacy Help Desk if there are any issues around this.

Claims with DOS from 8/24/2020 to 3/14/2021				
COVID-19 Vaccine Dose	Submission Clarification Code (420-DK)		Ingredient Cost Billed	Administration Fee Paid
<b>Single-Dose Vaccine</b>	<b>Required Code(s)</b>			
Single Dose	42	Blank	\$0.01	\$18.34
<b>Two-Dose Vaccine</b>				
Initial Dose	42	02 “Other Override”	\$0.01	\$16.94
Final Dose	42	06 “Starter Dose”	\$0.01	\$28.39

Claims with DOS on or after 3/15/2021				
COVID-19 Vaccine Dose	Submission Clarification Code (420-DK)		Ingredient Cost Billed	Administration Fee Paid
<b>Single-Dose Vaccine</b>	<b>Required Code(s)</b>			
Single Dose	42	02 “Other Override”	\$0.01	\$40.00
<b>Two-Dose Vaccine</b>				
Initial Dose	42	02 “Other Override”	\$0.01	\$40.00
Final Dose	42	06 “Starter Dose”	\$0.01	\$40.00

All ACIP-recommended Vaccinations during the PHE*				
ACIP-recommended Vaccines	Submission Clarification Code (420-DK)		Ingredient Cost Billed	Administration Fee Paid
<b>Adults (19+)</b>	<b>Required Code(s)</b>			
Any dose	42	Blank	Cost of Vaccine	\$18.34
<b>Children (3-18) via VFC#</b>				
Any dose	42	Blank	\$0.01	\$18.34

\*ACIP: Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices; PHE: Public Health Emergency  
#VFC: Vaccines for Children; See prior COVID-19 Vaccine Fax Blast sent out on 3/15/21 for more information on this program.

**SOONERCARE PHARMACY SERVICES • PHARMACY MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS**



**ADDRESS**

P.O. Box 26901; ORI W-4403  
Oklahoma City, OK 73126



**WEBSITES**

okhca.org  
mysoonerca.org



**PHONE**

(800) 522-0114, option 4  
Fax: (800) 224-4014