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## IHCP updates age ranges for Pfizer COVID-19 procedure codes retroactive to CMS effective date

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) is updating age ranges for several procedure codes used for Pfizer coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccine and vaccine administration.

During the most recent IHCP COVID-19 procedure code review, it was determined the procedure codes listed in Table 1 will require updated age ranges (to ages 12 years old and up) in alignment with up-to-date Current Procedural Terminology (CPT<sup>®1</sup>) guidance.

Age range updates for the following codes are being made retroactive for the dates listed:

- 91300, 0001A and 0002A for dates of service (DOS) on or after Dec. 11, 2020
- 0003A for DOS on or after Aug. 12, 2021
- 0004A for DOS on or after Sept. 22, 2021

The claim-processing system has been corrected. Claims processed during the indicated time frame will be mass adjusted or reprocessed as appropriate. Providers should see adjusted or reprocessed claims on Remittance Advices (RAs) beginning June 21, 2023, with internal control numbers (ICNs)/Claim IDs that begin with 52 (mass replacements non-check related) or 80 (reprocessed denied claims).

As established in previous *IHCP Bulletins*, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers ([BT2020129](#)), pharmacy providers ([BT2020127](#), [BT202102](#)), and federally qualified health center (FQHC) and rural health clinic (RHC) providers ([BT202112](#)) are allowed to bill for COVID-19 vaccine administration. In addition, Family Supports Waiver (FSW) and Community Integration and Habilitation (CIH) Waiver providers ([BT202129](#)) are allowed to bill COVID-19 vaccine and administration codes, with modifier U7 appended.

COVID-19 vaccinations can be administered to all eligible IHCP members meeting vaccine Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) criteria and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) age and dosing interval recommendations. Any additional requirements or limitations specified by the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH), CDC, or *Health and Human Services (HHS) Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act* must also be met.

COVID-19 vaccination reimbursement is carved out of managed care benefits. Claims billed through the medical benefit (professional and outpatient claims) for managed care and fee-for-service (FFS) members should be submitted to the FFS claim-processing vendor, Gainwell Technologies. Pharmacy claims for managed care and FFS members should be submitted to the FFS pharmacy benefit manager, Optum Rx.



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COVID-19 vaccines are to be supplied free of charge, without copay, to all IHCP members, including members in limited-benefit categories, such as Emergency Services Only (ESO). COVID-19 vaccination claims for IHCP members who are dually eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid must be billed to the member’s Medicare plan provider. Prior authorization is not required.

*Table 1 – Updated age ranges codes for COVID-19 vaccine and vaccine administration procedure codes*

Procedure code	Description	Coverage	Revised age range
91300	Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (COVID-19) vaccine, mRNA -LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3mL dosage, diluent reconstituted, for intramuscular use	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs	Covered for members ages 12 years and older (effective for DOS on or after Dec. 11, 2020)
0001A	Intramuscular administration of single severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (COVID-19) vaccine, mRNA -LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3mL dosage, diluent reconstituted; first dose	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs	Covered for members ages 12 years and older (effective for DOS on or after Dec. 11, 2020)
0002A	Intramuscular administration of single severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (COVID-19) vaccine, mRNA -LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3mL dosage, diluent reconstituted; second dose	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs	Covered for members ages 12 years and older (effective for DOS on or after Dec. 11, 2020)
0003A	Intramuscular administration of single severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (COVID-19) vaccine, mRNA -LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3mL dosage, diluent reconstituted; third dose	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs	Covered for members ages 12 years and older (effective for DOS on or after Aug. 12, 2021)
0004A	Intramuscular administration of single severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (COVID-19) vaccine, mRNA -LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3mL dosage, diluent reconstituted; booster dose	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs	Covered for members ages 12 years and older (effective for DOS on or after Sept. 22, 2021)

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