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TO: ALL CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP) PROGRAM PROVIDERS AND MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE PLANS

SUBJECT: ADDITION OF INFLUENZA A (H1N1) VIRUS VACCINE, CODE 84, AS A CHDP BENEFIT, ADMINISTRATIVE FEE ONLY, UPDATED CHDP VACCINE BENEFIT AND REIMBURSEMENT TABLE, AND A CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FLYER FOR ORDERING VACCINE

The purpose of this Provider Information Notice (PIN) is to inform you that the influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine, provided by the United States Government, is a CHDP program benefit, for administrative fee, effective October 1, 2009. This Information Notice provides the new CHDP administration code 84 and billing and reimbursement information for this monovalent vaccine.

Human infections with the novel influenza A (H1N1) virus were first identified in April 2009. On June 11, 2009, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared a worldwide pandemic, indicating uncontained community-level transmission of the novel influenza A (H1N1) virus in multiple areas of the world. This worldwide transmission continues and is expected to increase during the fall and winter in the Northern Hemisphere.

Specific vaccines against the novel influenza A (H1N1) virus will initially target five groups: pregnant women; persons who live with or provide care for infants less than six months of age; health-care and emergency medical services personnel; children and young adults aged six months through 24 years; and persons aged 25 through 64 years who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications (e.g., asthma, diabetes).

If the supply of vaccine is not adequate to meet the demand for vaccination among these five targeted groups, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommends that the following subset receive priority for vaccination until availability increases: pregnant women; persons who live with or provide care for infants less than six

months of age; health-care and emergency medical services personnel who have direct contact with patients or infectious material; children aged six months through four years; and children and adolescents aged five years through 18 years who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications.

As with seasonal influenza vaccines, influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccines are available as inactivated injectable vaccine or as live intranasal vaccine. Inactivated injectable influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine can be administered at the same visit as any other vaccine. Live intranasal influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine can be administered at the same visit as any other live or inactivated vaccine EXCEPT seasonal live attenuated influenza vaccine (FluMist™). Live intranasal influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine should not be administered to children under two years of age.

A flyer is enclosed from the California Department of Public Health Immunization Branch containing information about ordering influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine.

**Influenza A (H1N1) Virus Vaccine as a CHDP Program Benefit**

Effective October 1, 2009, CHDP will reimburse providers for the administration fee of influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine; the vaccine will be provided at no charge by the U.S. Government. The CHDP vaccine code is 84 and has the reimbursement rate of \$9.00 for the administration fee.

Influenza A (H1N1) Virus Vaccine	Code 84	U.S. Govt. Provided	6 months through 20 years 11 months	\$9.00
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Code 84 is payable per flu season for two doses for children six months through 9 years, 11 months with a recommended interval of four weeks between doses and is payable for one dose for children 10 years through 20 years, 11 months. Influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine has been added to the Vaccine Codes and Rates Table found in the rates max CHDP section of the CHDP Provider Manual.

**Billing Instructions for Influenza A (H1N1) Virus Vaccine**

Please use the following instructions for billing for influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine:

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- Enter the CHDP Code number, 84, and Influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine on a blank line, under the immunization section of the PM 160 Confidential Screening/Billing Report.
- Enter a check mark in only one of the Immunization Outcome Columns (A or B) of the PM 160, as appropriate.
- Enter the administration fee in the Fees Column (Note: fees do not apply on the "Information Only" PM 160).
- If you have administered influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine on or after October 1, 2009, and prior to this notice, you are entitled to reimbursement for the administration of this vaccine. Please submit a PM 160 for the \$9.00 administration fee if you have not been previously reimbursed for the vaccine by any source.

### **CHDP Vaccine Benefits and Reimbursement Table**

An updated CHDP Vaccine Benefit and Reimbursement Table is enclosed; it is dated October 1, 2009. The table includes the influenza A (H1N1) virus vaccine code and reimbursement rate.

Your continuing participation in the CHDP Program is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about CHDP vaccine benefits or other CHDP issues, please contact your local CHDP program office.

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Enclosures

**CHDP Vaccine Codes and Rates  
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Vaccine	Code	Vaccine Source	Age	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Comment Required
DTaP	45	Vaccines For Children (VFC)	2 months thru 6 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
DTaP-Hib-IPV	82	Vaccines For Children (VFC)	2 months thru 4 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
DTaP-IPV	83	Vaccines For Children (VFC)	4 years thru 6 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
DT Pediatric	59	Purchased	2 months thru 6 years, 11 months	\$10.93	
Td Adult (DECAVAC™)	58	VFC	7 years thru 18 years 11 months	\$9.00	
Td Adult	60	Purchased	7 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$13.96	
Tdap	72	VFC	10 years thru 18 years 11 months	\$9.00	
	79	Purchased	19 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$45.79	
Hepatitis A	65	VFC (Pediatric)	1 year thru 18 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
	66	Purchased (Adult)	19 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$70.28	
HBIG <sup>2</sup>	41 + 57	Purchased	Birth thru 20 years, 11 months	\$168.12	Reason for administration
Hepatitis B/Hib Combination	56	VFC	2 months thru 4 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
Hepatitis B Lower Dose (Ped./Adol.)	40	VFC	Birth thru 18 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
Hepatitis B Higher Dose (Adult)	42	VFC	11 years thru 15 years, 11 months <sup>3</sup>	\$9.00	(Use this code for two dose adolescent schedule)
Hepatitis B	51	Purchased	19 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$67.98	
Hib	38	VFC	2 months thru 18 years, 11 months	\$9.00	High risk factor, if older than 5 years
	63	Purchased	19 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$25.00	High risk factor
Human Papillomavirus <sup>4</sup>	76	VFC	9 years thru 18 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
	77+ 78	Purchased	19 years thru 20 years 11 months	\$146.96	

1. Total reimbursement, includes administration fee.
2. Only for infants with HBsAg (+) mothers and for children exposed to known/suspected HBsAg (+) blood/tissue fluids.
3. Adolescent two dose immunization schedule, currently approved for ages 11 years thru 15 years, 11 months.
4. Only for females.

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Vaccine	Code	Vaccine Source	Age	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Comment Required
Influenza <sup>5</sup>	53	VFC	6 months thru 18 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
	54	Purchased	36 months thru 20 years, 11 months	\$13.76	
Influenza Preservative Free <sup>5</sup>	80	Purchased	6 months thru 35 months	\$18.71	
FluMist <sup>5</sup>	71	VFC	2 years thru 18 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
Influenza A (H1N1) <sup>5a</sup>	84	Non-VFC	6 months through 20 years, 11 months	\$9.00	
MMR	33	VFC	12 months thru 18 years, 11 months	\$ 9.00	
	48	Purchased	19 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$ 59.19	
MMRV	74	VFC	12 months thru 18 years, 11 months	\$ 9.00	
Measles <sup>6</sup>	34	Purchased	12 months thru 20 years, 11 months <sup>7</sup>	\$ 21.29	Reason for administration
Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (MCV4)	69	VFC	2 years thru 18 years 11 months	\$9.00	High risk factor if younger than 11 yrs
	70 + 73	Purchased	19 years thru 20 years 11 months	\$101.84	
Pediarix <sup>TM</sup>	68	VFC	2 months thru 6 years, 11 months	\$ 9.00	
Polio – Inactivated	39	VFC	2 months thru 18 years, 11 months	\$ 9.00	
	64	Purchased	19 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$ 59.59	
Pneumococcal Polysaccharide (23PS)	55	Purchased	2 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$ 56.69	High risk factor
Pneumococcal, heptavalent (Prevnar)	67	VFC	1 month thru 4 years, 11 months	\$ 9.00	
Rotavirus <sup>8</sup> (Rotateq <sup>TM</sup> )	75	VFC	6 weeks thru 32 weeks	\$9.00	
Rotavirus <sup>9</sup> (Rotarix <sup>TM</sup> )	81	VFC	6 weeks thru 32 weeks	\$9.00	

1. Total reimbursement, includes administration fee.
5. For one dose per flu season, except for children less than 9 years who have never received an influenza immunization or only received 1 dose the first year of vaccination. These children should receive 2 doses, with a recommended interval of 28 days.
- 5a. For influenza A (H1N1) 2 doses are for children less than 10 years, with a recommended interval of 28 days.
6. For individuals with a contraindication to rubella or mumps vaccine.
7. Measles vaccine (or, if not available, MMR) is recommended in children as young as 6 months, in outbreak situations or for international travel.
8. Oral vaccine, 3 doses (Rotateq<sup>TM</sup>).
9. Oral vaccine, 2 doses (Rotarix<sup>TM</sup>), recommended dosing 2 months and 4 months with completion by 24 weeks.

**CHDP Vaccine Codes and Rates**

Vaccine	Code	Vaccine Source	Age	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Comment Required
Rubella <sup>10</sup>	36	Purchased	12 months thru 20 years, 11 months	\$ 24.50	Reason for administration
Varicella	46	VFC	12 months thru 18 years, 11 months	\$ 9.00	
	52	Purchased	19 years thru 20 years, 11 months	\$ 99.03	

- 1. Total reimbursement, includes administration fee.
- 10. For individuals with a contraindication to measles or mumps vaccine.



## Pandemic Influenza H1N1 Vaccine is coming soon!

The California Department of Public Health and California's local health departments are calling all parties interested in providing this vaccine...

- Clinics, public and private
- Community Health Centers
- Community vaccinators
- Employee health programs
- Health plans
- Hospitals
- Pharmacies, chain and independent
- Physicians
- Other vaccinators

Starting by September 1, 2009, go to [www.CalPanFlu.org](http://www.CalPanFlu.org).

### 1. Pre-register for vaccine

Sign up to receive H1N1 vaccine as it becomes available.

Pre-registration:

- ▶ is not a binding commitment to provide vaccine
- ▶ can *only* be done by (or in conjunction with) a physician licensed to practice medicine in California
- ▶ lets California Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers use their PIN number for fast-track identification

### 2. Order vaccine

Vaccine is in production and currently expected to first be available by mid-October.

Vaccine and basic supplies will be delivered at **no cost to you**. Providers may bill public and private insurers for vaccine administration fees.

- ▶ **HOW:** Pre-register and order early to minimize delays. (*Note: Pre-registration and ordering do not guarantee receipt of vaccine*)
- ▶ **WHEN:** Timing and amount of vaccine deliveries will depend on available inventory. First deliveries are expected by mid-October or later.
- ▶ **WHO:** Initial orders will go to vaccinators serving at-risk population groups. Other requests will be filled in turn, as supply permits.

### 3. Receive vaccine information and updates

- ▶ vaccine availability
- ▶ storage and handling
- ▶ training on vaccination
- ▶ the pandemic in California

### 4. Report your H1N1 vaccine usage

- ▶ Instructions are available to complete a simple weekly report on H1N1 vaccine at your medical practice

Additional information will soon be available at [www.CalPanFlu.org](http://www.CalPanFlu.org).

Thank you for your interest in protecting California from pandemic influenza!