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# Global Commitment Register

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GCR 23-101  
FINAL

## **COVID-19 Vaccine Coverage**

### **Policy Summary:**

This is a change to final [GCR 23-101](#) posted on September 22, 2023.

Vermont Medicaid will reimburse pharmacies for the cost of the COVID-19 vaccine and its administration under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act (PREP Act), including administration to children. The PREP Act authorizes pharmacists, pharmacy interns, and pharmacy technicians to administer COVID-19 vaccinations to children ages 3 and older. This change is retroactive to September 11, 2023.

COVID-19 vaccines are available for Medicaid members under the age of 19 through the Vaccines for Children Program (VFC). Pharmacies can be reimbursed for COVID-19 vaccines outside of the VFC program as well.

Pharmacists, pharmacy interns, and pharmacy technicians must adhere to the requirements of the PREP Act for COVID-19 vaccine administration. The PREP Act declaration and guidance can be found on the [U.S. Department of Health and Human Services website](#).

More information about the Vermont Immunization Program can be found on the [Vermont Department of Health's website](#).

Reimbursement for COVID-19 vaccines through the Medicaid medical benefit can be found on the [Vermont Medicaid Fee Schedule](#) and [Vermont Medicaid General Billing and Forms Manual](#).

More information about vaccines for Medicaid enrolled pharmacies can be found in the [Pharmacy Provider Manual](#).

### **Effective Date:**

September 11, 2023

### **Authority/Legal Basis:**

[Medicaid State Plan](#)

[Eleventh Amendment to Declaration Under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act for Medical Countermeasures Against COVID-19](#)

**Population Affected:**

All Medicaid

**Fiscal Impact:**

This change is expected to be budget neutral.

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