

Global Commitment Register

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Physician Administered Drugs Fee Schedule Update

Policy Summary:

The Department of Vermont Health Access conducted its annual update of the Physician Administered Drugs fee schedule and updated the rate methodology for codes with and without a corresponding Medicare rate. For codes with a Medicare rate, reimbursement changed from 97% to 98% of Medicare's rates for Physician Administered Drugs using the latest version of Medicare's average sales price (ASP) drug pricing file. The following exceptions apply:

- 1. Codes identified on the DVHA high-investment carve-out drugs list will continue to be reimbursed at actual acquisition costs.
- 2. COVID-19 vaccine and administration codes will continue to be reimbursed at 100% of Medicare rates.

For codes without a corresponding Medicare rate, the methodology changed from reimbursing 60% of billed charges to reimbursing 100% of the invoiced cost, up to the billed charge (whichever is lower).

DVHA established set rates for the two CPT codes below, which were previously reimbursed at 60% of billed charges. Reimbursement rates were determined by using the average New England Medicaid rates.

Code	Description	Rate effective 1/1/2024
90651	Human Papillomavirus Vaccine Types 6, 11, 16, 18, 31, 33, 45, 52, 58, Nonavalent (9Vhpv), 2 Or 3 Dose	\$205.67
90750	Zoster (Shingles) Vaccine (HZV)	\$155.48

Effective Date:

January 1, 2024

Authority/Legal Basis:

Medicaid State Plan



This change is being done through Global Commitment to Health waiver authority, where DVHA may establish rates with providers on an individual or class basis without regard to the rates currently set forth in the approved State Plan.

Global Commitment to Health Waiver: Waiver authority #5 [Section 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30)]; Special Term and Condition #6.8.

Population Affected:

All Medicaid

Fiscal Impact:

The estimated gross annualized budget impact is \$7,057.

Public Comment Period:

The public comment period ended January 19, 2024. Comment received and state response can be viewed here.

To be added to the GCR email list, send an email to AHS.MedicaidPolicy@vermont.gov.

Additional Information:

The following State Plan page has been amended:

• Attachment 4.19-B page 4b(1)

The Medicaid State Plan is available on the AHS website.

