Global Commitment Register

December 20, 2023

GCR 23-152 PROPOSED

Physician Administered Drugs Fee Schedule Update

Policy Summary:

The Department of Vermont Health Access is conducting its annual update of the Physician Administered Drugs fee schedule and updating the rate methodology for codes with and without a corresponding Medicare rate. For codes with a Medicare rate, reimbursement will change 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 will change from reimbursing 60% of billed charges to reimbursing 100% of the invoiced cost, up to the billed charge (whichever is lower).

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

Code	Description	Proposed Rate
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:

December 20, 2023 - January 19, 2024

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Additional Information:

The draft Global Commitment Amended State Plan page provides additional details on the proposed changes; copies of the draft page can be requested from local Department for Children and Families (DCF) offices or from the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) at (802) 355-8843, or can be found on Agency of Human Services website.

