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SUBJECT Update to Age Limits for Payment for Administration of the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent Vaccine	BY  Sally A. Kozak, Deputy Secretary Office of Medical Assistance Programs	

IMPORTANT REMINDER: All providers must revalidate the Medical Assistance (MA) enrollment of each service location every 5 years. Providers should log into PROMISe to check the revalidation dates of each service location and submit revalidation applications at least 60 days prior to the revalidation dates. Enrollment (revalidation) applications may be found at: <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/PROMISe-Enrollment.aspx>.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform providers enrolled in the Medical Assistance (MA) Program that the Department of Human Services (Department) is expanding the beneficiary age for which MA payment will be made for the administration of the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent vaccine to include beneficiaries ages 6 months and older, effective October 14, 2021.

SCOPE:

This bulletin applies to all physicians, certified registered nurse practitioners, certified nurse midwives, outpatient hospital clinics and independent medical/surgical clinics enrolled in the MA Program who administer immunizations to MA beneficiaries in the MA Fee-for-Service (FFS) and MA Managed Care delivery systems. Providers rendering services to MA beneficiaries in the MA Managed Care delivery system should address any coding or rate-related questions to the appropriate managed care organization (MCO).

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

On May 23, 2016, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved the use of Flucelvax® Quadrivalent, a quadrivalent flu vaccine derived from cell cultures manufactured by Seqirus, Inc., for individuals four years of age and older for immunization against the influenza virus. On December 23, 2016, the Department issued MA Bulletin 01-17-01, "Addition to the Medical Assistance Program Fee Schedule for Administration of Quadrivalent Flu Vaccine Derived from Cell Cultures", to announce the addition of Common Procedural Terminology

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS BULLETIN SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

The appropriate toll-free number for your provider type.

Visit the Office of Medical Assistance Programs website at

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Health%20Care%20for%20Providers/Contact-Information-for-Providers.aspx>.

(CPT) 90674 to the MA Program Fee Schedule for the administration of the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent vaccine. Additional information about billing for CPT code 90674 can be found in MA Bulletin 01-17-01 which can be accessed at the link below:

https://www.dhs.pa.gov/docs/Publications/Documents/FORMS%20AND%20PUBS%20OMAP/c_253795.pdf.

On March 5, 2018, the Department issued MA Bulletin 01-18-02, “Addition to the Medical Assistance Program Fee Schedule for Administration of Quadrivalent Flu Vaccine Derived from Cell Cultures, Preservative”, to announce the addition of CPT code 90756 to the MA Program Fee Schedule for the administration of the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent vaccine that contains a preservative as supplied in a multi-dose vial. Additional information about billing for CPT code 90756 can be found in MA Bulletin 01-18-02 which can be accessed at the link below:

https://www.dhs.pa.gov/docs/Publications/Documents/FORMS%20AND%20PUBS%20OMAP/c_271193.pdf.

On October 14, 2021, the FDA approved expanding the age at which persons may receive the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent vaccine to six months. As a result, the Department is expanding the age at which MA providers may bill for the administration of the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent vaccine.

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommends routine annual influenza vaccination for all persons aged six months and older who do not have contraindications. Recommendations for influenza immunization may be obtained from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report at: <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/rr/pdfs/rr7005a1-H.pdf>.

PROCEDURE:

Effective for dates of service on and after October 14, 2021, MA FFS providers may use CPT code 90674 for the administration of the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent vaccine as supplied in a pre-filled syringe or CPT code 90756 for the administration of the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent vaccine that contains a preservative as supplied in a multi-dose vial for MA beneficiaries aged six months and older.

CPT Code	Vaccine	Description	MA Fee
90674	Flucelvax® Quadrivalent PFS	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (cclIV4), derived from cell cultures, subunit, preservative- and antibiotic-free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	\$10.00
90756	Flucelvax® Quadrivalent MDV	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (cclIV4), derived from cell cultures, subunit, antibiotic free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	\$10.00

The MA fee for the administration of each vaccine is \$10.00 per administration. Providers participating in an MA MCO network must abide by payment arrangements as stated in their individual MCO contract.

MA providers may bill the MA Program for the Flucelvax® Quadrivalent vaccine for MA eligible beneficiaries by indicating, on the claim submission, the appropriate National Drug Code and the units dispensed for the vaccine. Providers may access the online version of the MA Drug Fee Schedule found on the Department's website at:
<https://www.humanservices.state.pa.us/CoveredDrugs/CoveredDrugs/Index>.

Providers should advise MA beneficiaries under 19 years of age that vaccines available through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program should be obtained from a VFC Program-eligible participating provider. Information regarding VFC Program-eligible participating providers is available by calling the Pennsylvania Department of Health at 1-877-PA HEALTH (1-877-724-3258). The VFC provider enrollment process is found on the DOH website at:
<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/programs/immunizations/Pages/VFC.aspx#reenroll>.

SUPERCEDE:

MA Bulletin 01-17-01, "Addition to the Medical Assistance Program Fee Schedule for Administration of Quadrivalent Flu Vaccine Derived from Cell Cultures", and MA Bulletin 01-18-02, "Addition to the Medical Assistance Program Fee Schedule for Administration of Quadrivalent Flu Vaccine Derived from Cell Cultures, Preservative", are superseded with the issuance of this bulletin.