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**Subject:** End of the Federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) and Final Unwinding of Pharmacy COVID-19 Response Policies

**Effective:** As Indicated

**Programs Affected:** Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, MIChild, Maternity Outpatient Medical Services (MOMS), Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS)

Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency (PHE), the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issued several COVID-19 pharmacy policies during the declared period of the PHE. This bulletin notifies providers of the intent to discontinue the remaining COVID-19 pharmacy coverage and reimbursement policies.

This policy concludes three temporary COVID-19 Medicaid Pharmacy provisions due to the COVID-19 PHE, declared under Section 319 of the Public Health Service Act: Bulletin [HASA 22-02](#), [MMP 22-29](#), and letter [L 22-04](#). These provisions were extended in Sections 9811 and 9821 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) for coverage of COVID-19 treatment services, and declared in bulletin [MMP 23-27](#). As defined by the ARP, the policy provisions below were extended effective for dates of service on and after March 11, 2021, through the last day of the first calendar quarter that begins one year after the last day of the PHE period described in Section 1135(g)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act, which is September 30, 2024.

MDHHS is concluding the process of unwinding these provisions as the authorities for these policies expire.

- [HASA 22-02](#) - Authorization of U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) pharmacist prescriptive authority of oral antivirals for the treatment of COVID-19;
- [MMP 22-29](#) - Coverage of FDA EUA COVID-19 monoclonal antibody injections by pharmacy providers; and
- [L 22-04](#) - Stand-alone vaccine counseling services billed as a Medication Therapy Management service.

Following the expiration of the ARP defined effective period dates, Medicaid pharmacy requirements will revert to existing Medicaid policies and State Plan authorities.

## Manual Maintenance

Retain this bulletin until the information is incorporated into the MDHHS Medicaid Provider Manual.

## Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mailed to [ProviderSupport@michigan.gov](mailto:ProviderSupport@michigan.gov). When you submit an e-mail, be sure to include your name, affiliation, NPI number, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Typical Providers may phone toll-free 800-292-2550. Atypical Providers may phone toll-free 800-979-4662.

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