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News Providers Can Use



Updates to Reimbursement Process for Developmental Evaluation Center (DEC) Services and Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)

Services performed through DEC's on or after Feb. 1, 2024, are encountering reimbursement changes. The reimbursement for these services is now the responsibility of the MCOs for Medicaid members enrolled in an MCO.

There are currently three DEC's in South Carolina. You will find the DEC services outlined in the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) [Autism Spectrum Disorder](#)* and [Clinic Services](#)* provider manual.

Find more information, codes and frequency limits for these services on the [SCDHHS website](#)*.

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ALL PROVIDERS

Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA) Treatment

As of April 1, 2024, SCDHHS has expanded coverage to include treatment for mild OSA with a Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved prescription device named eXciteOSA. Treatment will be covered under the DME benefit.

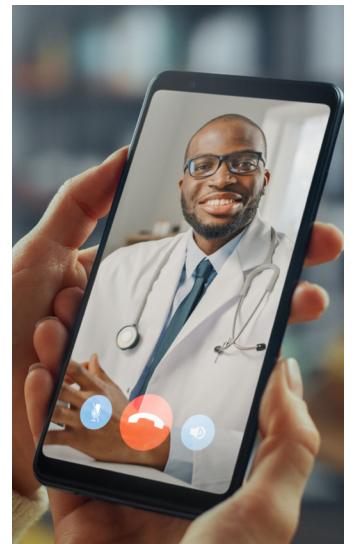
Learn more about the two units that are offered and eligibility for reimbursement by visiting the [SCDHHS website](#)*.

Extensions of Telehealth Services

SCDHHS has announced an additional extension of telehealth flexibilities issued during the federal public health emergency (PHE) for COVID-19. The PHE expired on May 11, 2023. Flexibilities were allowed for one year after the date of the PHE expiration.

SCDHHS has now extended the flexibilities through Dec. 31, 2024. The flexibilities including telehealth flexibilities are included in the provider manual found on the SCDHHS website.

For more information on the extension, please visit the [Communications](#)* section on the SCDHHS website.



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Prior Authorization Updates for Medications Billed Under the Medical Benefit

The following clinical criteria is applicable to the medical drug benefit for Healthy Blue. These policies were developed, revised or reviewed to support clinical coding edits.

Please see the explanation/definition for each category of clinical criteria below:

- **New** — Newly published criteria
- **Revised** — Changes related to medical necessity requirements, new document number, medications within the class

Please note:

- Drugs that are new to market are also subject to prior authorization review.
- The clinical criteria listed apply only to the medical drug benefits contained within the member's medical policy. This does not apply to pharmacy services.
- This notice is meant to inform the provider of new or revised criteria that has been adopted by Healthy Blue only. It does not include details regarding any authorization requirements.

Clinical Criteria Number	Clinical Criteria Title	New or Revised
CC-0107	Bevacizumab for Non-ophthalmologic Indications	Revised
CC-0247	Beyfortus (nirsevimab)	New
CC-0227	Briumvi (ublituximab)	Revised
CC-0002	Colony Stimulating Factor Agents	Revised
CC-0061	GnRH Analogs for the Treatment of Non-Oncologic Indications	Revised
Pending	Hyaluronic Acids	Revised
CC-0034	Hereditary Angioedema Agents	Revised
CC-0197	Jemperli (dostarlimab-gxly)	Revised
CC-0124	Keytruda (pembrolizumab)	Revised
CC-0255	Loqtorzi (toripalimab-tpzi)	New
CC-0141	Off-Label Drug and Approved Orphan Drug Use	Revised
CC-0185	Oxlumo (lumasiran)	Revised
CC-0110	Perjeta (pertuzumab)	Revised
CC-0198	Relizorb (immobilized lipase) cartridge	New
CC-0075	Rituximab Agents for Non-Oncologic Indications	Revised
CC-0256	Rivfloza (nedosiran)	New
CC-0213	Voxzogo (vosoritide)	Revised
CC-0227	Wainua (eplontersen)	New

Upcoming Webinars

Join us to review some beneficial information for Healthy Blue and Behavioral Health on the following dates.

- **Healthy Blue 101**, Tuesday, May 21, 2024 | Noon – 1 p.m.
- **Behavioral Health 101**, Thursday, June 13, 2024 | Noon – 1 p.m.
- **My Provider Enrollment on the following dates:**
 - Wednesday, May 1, 2024, from noon – 1 p.m.
 - Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2024, from noon – 1 p.m.
 - Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2024, from noon – 1 p.m.

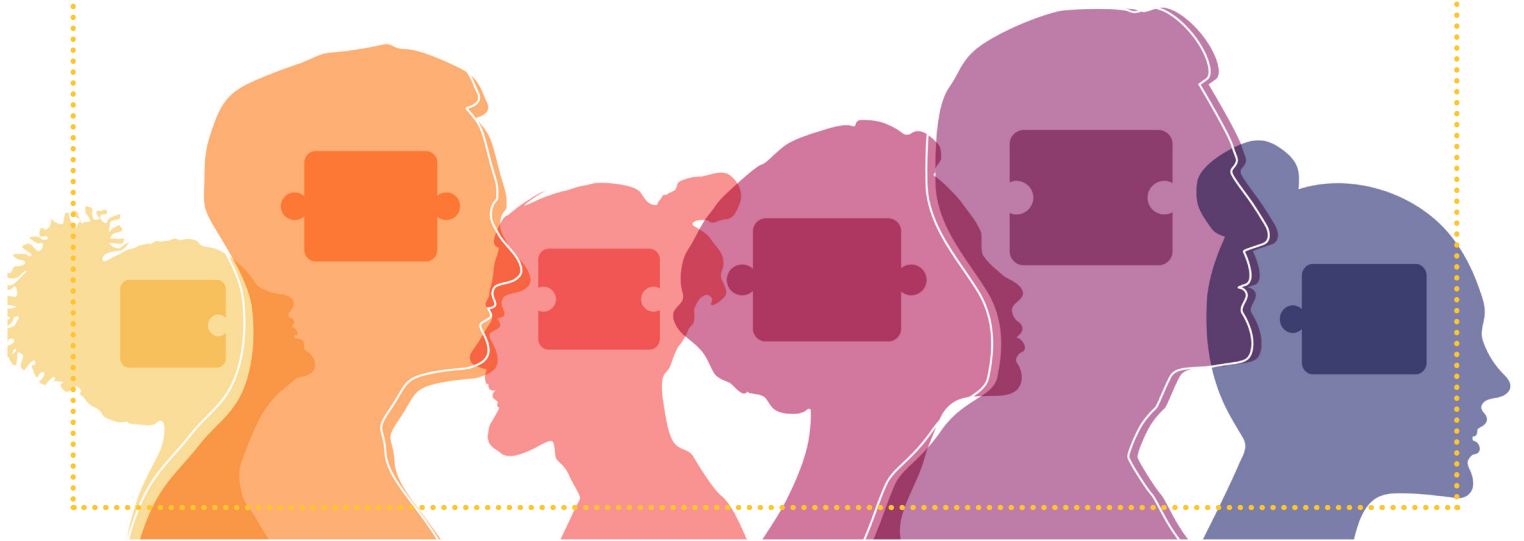
[Register now*](#) and check out other upcoming trainings.





Behavioral Health Provider Relations Consultant

Healthy Blue is pleased to introduce **Mrs. Bridgette Honor** as one of the Behavioral Health Provider Relations consultants. She will serve in the lower half of the state with their behavioral health needs. Review the [latest territory map](#) for Behavioral Health.



Online Portal

[My Insurance Manager](#)SM is an online portal that is used as a tool for providers to do the following and more:

- Check eligibility and benefits
- Check claim status
- Initiate authorizations
- Update provider and practice information
- Review the provider report cards

Guides are available on the www.HealthyBlueSC.com website under the Resources tab.



DID YOU KNOW?



BlueChoice HealthPlan is an independent licensee of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association. BlueChoice HealthPlan has contracted with Amerigroup Partnership Plan LLC, an independent company, for services to support administration of Healthy Connections. Amerigroup Corporation, an independent company, administers utilization management services for BlueChoice HealthPlan.

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The codes listed are for informational purposes only and are not intended to suggest or guide reimbursement. If applicable, refer to your provider contract or health plan contact for reimbursement information. To report fraud, call our confidential Fraud Hotline at 877-725-2702. You may also call the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Fraud Hotline at 888-364-3224 or email Fraudres@scdhhs.gov.