



## September 2018 NC Medicaid Bulletin Digest

### [SPECIAL BULLETIN: NC Medicaid Flexibilities due to Hurricane Florence Extended through Oct. 5, 2018](#)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2018**

NC Medicaid and Health Choice will reimburse providers for medically necessary drugs and services and equipment and supplies provided during the Hurricane Florence emergency without prior approval from Sept. 14 through Oct. 5, 2018.

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### [SPECIAL BULLETIN: Many Residents of 27 NC Counties Can Soon Apply for Help Buying Food After Hurricane Florence](#)

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2018**

Residents in 27 counties impacted by Hurricane Florence can apply for help buying food through the Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or "D-SNAP."

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### [SPECIAL BULLETIN: NC Medicaid Flexibilities due to Hurricane Florence Extended through Sept. 28, 2018](#)

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018**

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### [SPECIAL BULLETIN: Medicaid Enrollment Requirements for Providers Rendering Services in NC to SC Medicaid Beneficiaries](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2018**

Per the Sept. 12, 2018, South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) Medicaid Bulletin, SCDHHS will, in good faith, reimburse North Carolina qualified providers not currently enrolled with or otherwise pre-approved by the South Carolina Medicaid program for medically necessary and time-sensitive services rendered to South Carolina Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) beneficiaries.

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### [Influenza Vaccine and Reimbursement Guidelines for 2018-2019 for Medicaid and NC Health Choice](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

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### [Reminder: Criteria for Polycarbonate Eyeglass Lenses](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

Providers may request prior approval for polycarbonate lenses without medical justification or additional documentation when eligible beneficiaries meet at least one of the following criteria.

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### [Clinical Policy 1E-7, Family Planning Services - Outpatient Sterilization](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

Family Planning Medicaid provides limited coverage to beneficiaries with MAFDN eligibility.

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### [Procedures for Prior Authorization of Synagis® \(palivizumab\) for Respiratory Syncytial Virus Season 2018/2019](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

The clinical criteria used by NC Medicaid for the 2018/2019 Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) season are consistent with guidance published by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP): 2018 – 2021 Report of the Committee on Infectious Diseases, 31th Edition.

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### [Lutetium Lu 177 Dotatate Injection, for Intravenous Use \(Lutathera®\), HCPCS Code A9699: Billing Guidelines](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

Effective with date of service, Aug. 1, 2018, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover Lutathera for use in the Physician's Drug Program when billed with HCPCS code A9699, Radiopharmaceutical, therapeutic, not otherwise classified.

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### [Coverage for Psychiatric Collaborative Care Management](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

In response to provider requests and to allow reimbursement for behavioral health integration in primary care settings, North Carolina Medicaid is adding coverage for the following evaluation and management codes effective October 1, 2018.

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### [Balloon Ostial Dilation \(BOD\) Services Billed with Modifier 50 \(Bilateral\)](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

It has come to NC Medicaid's attention that claims for balloon sinus ostial dilation billed with modifier 50 (bilateral), were resulting in an under payment to providers. The issue has been resolved.

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### [Advanced Medical Home Training](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services developed the Advanced Medical Home program as the primary vehicle for delivering local care management as the state transitions to Medicaid managed care.

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### [North Carolina Medicaid EHR Incentive Payment System \(NC-MIPS\) is Open for Program Year 2018](#)

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NC-MIPS is accepting Program Year 2018 Modified Stage 2 and Stage 3 MU attestations.

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### [Clinical Policy 1E-3, Sterilization Procedures](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

Sterilization claims must be submitted with ICD-10-CM diagnosis Z30.2 (encounter for sterilization) as the primary or secondary diagnosis code on the claim.

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### [Division of Medical Assistance \(DMA\) is Now the Division of Health Benefits \(DHB\)](#)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018**

Effective Aug. 1, 2018, the Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) and Division of Health Benefits (DHB) combined into one division called the NCDHHS Division of Health Benefits.

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### [NCTracks Provider Training Available in September 2018](#)

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Registration is open for the September 2018 instructor-led provider training courses.

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### [Sterilization Consent Form Status and Denial Reasons Accessible to Facility Providers](#)

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Facility providers can access Sterilization Consent Form status including denial reasons, on the secure NCTracks Provider Portal, if the sterilization consent form has been properly completed.

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### [CSRA is Now GDIT](#)

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On April 2, 2018, General Dynamics Information Technology acquired CSRA Inc. CSRA is now "CSRA State and Local Solutions LLC, A General Dynamics Information Technology Company," or simply "GDIT."

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### [Billing Code Update for Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants](#)

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Medicaid has provided instructions to NCTracks on updating the claims processing system. The following procedure code list has been updated recently to include additional NP and PA taxonomies.

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### [Clinical Policy 1E-7, Family Planning Services - Office Visits](#)

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The following CPT codes should not be billed with a separate office visit. An office visit component is included in reimbursement for these CPT codes.

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