Administrative Policy Statement
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Policy Name	Policy Number	Date Effective
COVID-19 Vaccination	PAD-0088-OH-MCP	11/1/2022
Policy Type		
Medical	ADMINISTRATIVE	Pharmacy	Reimbursement

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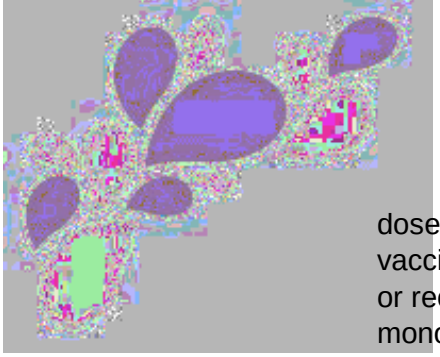
A. Subject

COVID-19 Vaccination

B. Background

The 2019 novel coronavirus, also known as severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), causes the disease known as coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued full authorization for the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine for prevention of COVID-19 for individuals 12 years and older and Moderna vaccine for prevention of COVID-19 for individuals 18 years and older. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued an Emergency Use Authorization (EAU) for the following vaccines for the prevention of COVID-19: Pfizer-BioNTech for individuals 6 months and older, Moderna for individuals 6 months and older, Janssen for individuals 18 years and older for whom other COVID-19 vaccines are inaccessible or clinically inapprorpriate, and Novavax for individuals 12 years and older as of Oc



dose administered at least 2 months after either completion of primary vaccination with any authorized or approved monovalent COVID-19 vaccine, or receipt of the most recent booster dose with any authorized or approved monovalent COVID-19 vaccine. For the Pfizer-BioNTech Bivalent formulation, a 0.2 mL dose (10 *µ*g) is administered IM to individuals age 5-11 years old and a 0.3 mL dose (30 *µ*g) is administered to indivudals 12 years and older.

Pfizer-BioNTech's COVID-19 vaccinations come in multiple formulations including one for adult/adolescents in a vial with a purple cap, two for adult/adolescents in a vial with a grey cap, two for pediatric use (5 – 11 year olds) in a vial with an orange cap, and another for pediatric use (6 months – 4 year olds) in a vial with a

On October 12, 2022, the FDA amended the emergency use authorizations (EUAs) of the Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 bivalent vaccines to authorize their use as a single booster dose in younger age groups. The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 bivalent vaccine was authorized for administration as a single booster dose at least 2 months following completion of primary or booster vaccination in children 5 years of age and older.

The recommendation for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine should be implemented in conjunction with ACIP's interim recommendation for allocating initial supplies of COVID-19 vaccines. The ACIP recommendation for the use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine under FDA approval as well as the interim EUA will be updated as additional information becomes available.

Before vaccination, the Fact Sheet or EUA Fact Sheet should be provided to recipients and caregivers. Providers should counsel Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine recipients about expected systemic and local reactogenicity.

Additional clinical considerations, including details of administration and use in special populations (e.g., persons who are pregnant or immunocompromised or who have severe allergies) are available at www.cdc.gov

Moderna COVID -19 Vaccine: Vaccination with the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine consists of 2 doses: 0.5 mL (100 μg) each for individuals 12 years and older, 0.5 mL (50 μg) each for individuals 6-11 years old, or 0.25 mL (25 μg) each for children 6 months – 5 years old administered intramuscularly, 4 weeks apart. Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, Bivalent is authorized for use in individuals 6 years of age and older as a single booster dose administered at least 2 months after either completion of primary vaccination with any authorized or approved monovalent COVID-19 vaccine, or receipt of the most recent booster dose with any authorized or approved monovalent COVID-19 vaccine. For the Moderna Bivalent formulation, a 0.25 mL dose (25 μg) is administered IM to individuals age 6-11 years old and a 0.5 mL dose (50 μg) is administered to indivudals 12 years and older.

The Moderna COVID-19 vaccinations come in multiple different formulations including one for adult/adolescents 12 years and older in a vial with a red cap & light blue border, one for individuals 6 years and older in a vial with a dark blue cap & grey border, one for pediatric use (6 – 11 year olds) in a vial with a dark blue cap with a purple border, and another for pediatric use (6 months – 5 year olds) in a vial with a dark blue cap & majenta border. Formulations specific for adults/adolescents can not be used to prepare pediatric doses and vice versa.

On December 18, 2020, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) issued an interim recommendation for use of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine in persons aged ≥ 18 years for the prevention of COVID-19.

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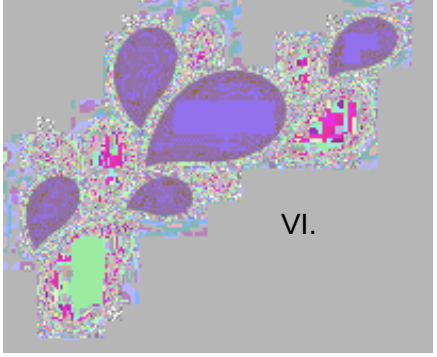

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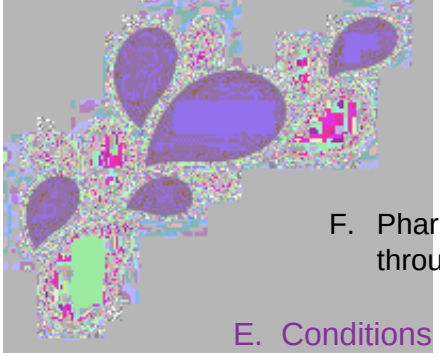

F. Pharmacies should submit claims through their pharmacy claims platform through our pharmacy benefits manager, Express Scripts.

E. Conditions of Coverage

All FDA-approved or authorized COVID-19 vaccines do not require any prior-authorization and will be covered at no cost for members. Please refer to the Reimbursement Policy for more details.

HCPS and CPT Codes:

Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine
- 91300 – vaccine
- 0001A – 1st dose administration
- 0002A – 2nd dose administration
- 0003A – 3rd dose administration
- 0004A – 4th dose administration

Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine
- 91301 – vaccine
- 0011A – 1st dose administration
- 0012A – 2nd dose administration
- 0013A – 3rd dose administration
- 0014A – 4th dose administration

Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine
- 91303 – vaccine
- 0031A – administration

Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine
- 91304- vaccine
- 0041A- 1st dose administration
- 0042A- 2nd dose administration

Quantity Limit: Only one vaccine is allowed per member for primary series. Member may receive a different booster vaccine than reveived for their primary series.

Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine: Four doses are allowed per member.

Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine: Two doses are allowed per member.

Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine: Two doses are allowed per member.

Quantity limit is subject to change as more vaccines become available for use.

F. Related Policies/Rules

COVID-19 Vaccine Reimbursement Policy

G. Review/Revision History

DATES		ACTION
Date Issued	12/18/2020	New Policy
Date Revised	02/28/2021	Policy revised to include information about Janssen COVID-19 vaccine.

	09/01/2021	Policy revised to update age for Pfizer vaccine, and update vaccine schedule for Pfizer and Moderna vaccine.
	11/30/2021	Policy revised to update age for Pfizer vaccine, Pfizer vaccination approval, vaccine schedules for all booster shots.
	12/09/2021	Policy revised to update for Pfizer vaccine booster age
	3/4/2022	Policy revised to update for new booster dose length
	10/20/2022	Policy revised to update for newly authorized Novavax primary series, bivalent Pfizer and Moderna booster shots and updated age recommendations for primary and booster series.
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