



COVID-19: New ICD-10 Diagnosis Codes Updates for Texas Medicaid

What is new

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) and National Centers for Health Statistics (NCHS) added six new diagnosis codes into the International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM). See notice from [Texas Medicaid and Healthcare Partnership \(TMHP\)](#) for more info.

Effective date and ICD-10-CM codes

These six new ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes are effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021.

ICD-10-CM Codes	Description
J12.82	Pneumonia due to coronavirus disease 2019
M35.81	Multisystem inflammatory syndrome
M35.89	Other specified systemic involvement of connective tissue
Z11.52	Encounter for screening for COVID-19
Z20.822	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to COVID-19
Z86.16	Personal history of COVID-19
Discontinued Diagnosis Code: Code Deleted Dec. 31, 2020	
M35.8	Other specified systemic involvement of connective tissue

The updates to the ICD diagnosis codes will be included in the All Patient Refined–Diagnosis Related Groups (APR-DRG) software Version 38.1 update, released on December 29, 2020.

What’s next

You will not need to resubmit your claims for reprocessing. We will reprocess any claims denied for invalid ICD-10-CM diagnosis code related to COVID-19.

Have questions:

Contact our BCBSTX Medicaid Provider Service Center at 1-877-560-8055 or contact your BCBSTX Medicaid Provider Network Representative at 1-855-212-1615.

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