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Note: This bulletin has been updated. The age range information has been removed from the bulletin text and corrected for the vaccine code and four of the administration codes listed in [Table 1](#).

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IHCP to cover additional COVID-19 vaccine and administration codes

On Jan. 3, 2022, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) authorized Pfizer's ready-to-use COVID-19 vaccine. Approval was given for its associated administration codes, including a third-dose administration for immunocompromised patients as well as the booster-dose administration. Additionally, rate information was released for administering Pfizer's previously announced tris-sucrose formulation vaccine product (see *IHCP Bulletin* [BT2021101](#)). The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) has received the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT^{®1}) codes listed in [Table 1](#) from the American Medical Association (AMA).

Effective immediately, for dates of service (DOS) on or after the dates indicated in Table 1, the IHCP will reimburse IHCP-enrolled providers for the applicable administration codes. As established in *IHCP Bulletins* [BT2021101](#), [BT202102](#) and [BT202172](#), Emergency Medical Service (EMS) providers and pharmacies are included among the providers allowed to bill the vaccine administration codes. Vaccinations can be administered to all eligible IHCP members meeting vaccine Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) criteria. There is a dosing interval of 21 days from the first dose to the second dose. Any additional requirements or limitations are specified by the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).



COVID-19 vaccination reimbursement is carved out of managed care benefits. Professional claims for managed care and fee-for-service (FFS) members should be submitted to the FFS claim-processing vendor, Gainwell Technologies. Pharmacy claims for managed care and FFS members should be submitted to the FFS pharmacy benefit manager, OptumRx, as announced in [BT202172](#).

COVID-19 vaccines are to be supplied free of charge, without copay, to all IHCP members, including members in limited benefit programs, such as Emergency Services Only (ESO) and all Presumptive Eligibility (PE) benefit plans. COVID-19 vaccination claims for IHCP members who are dually eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid must be billed to the member's Medicare plan provider.

The following code tables will be updated:

- *Family Planning Eligibility Program Codes*
- *Physician-Administered Drugs Carved Out of Managed Care and Reimbursable Outside the Inpatient Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG)*
- *Preventive Care Services Excluded from Copayment for HIP and PE Adult*
- *Revenue Codes With Special Procedure Code Linkages*
- *Transportation Services Codes*

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Table 1 – Newly covered procedure codes and reimbursement

Procedure code	Description	Effective date	Program coverage	Reimbursement
91305	Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation, for intramuscular use	10/29/2021	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs that serve ages 12 and older	\$0.00* Linked to revenue code 636
0051A	Immunization administration by intramuscular injection of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARSCoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation; first dose	10/29/2021	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs that serve ages 12 and older	Max fee: \$36.40 (for DOS on or after 1/1/2022) \$0.00 (for DOS 10/29/2021 through 12/31/2021) Linked to revenue code 636
0052A	Immunization administration by intramuscular injection of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARSCoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation; second dose	10/29/2021	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs that serve ages 12 and older	Max fee: \$36.40 (for DOS on or after 1/1/2022) \$0.00 (for DOS 10/29/2021 through 12/31/2021) Linked to revenue code 636
0053A	Immunization administration by intramuscular injection of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARSCoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation; third dose	10/29/2021	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs that serve ages 12 and older	Max fee: \$36.40 (for DOS on or after 1/1/2022) \$0.00 (for DOS 10/29/2021 through 12/31/2021) Linked to revenue code 636
0054A	Immunization administration by intramuscular injection of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARSCoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 30 mcg/0.3 mL dosage, tris-sucrose formulation; booster dose	10/29/2021	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs that serve ages 12 and older	Max fee: \$36.40 (for DOS on or after 1/1/2022) \$0.00 (for DOS 10/29/2021 through 12/31/2021) Linked to revenue code 636
0073A	Immunization administration by intramuscular injection of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARSCoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, spike protein, preservative free, 10 mcg/0.2 mL dosage, diluent reconstituted, tris-sucrose formulation; third dose	1/3/2022	Covered for all programs, including limited benefit programs that serve ages 5 through 11	Max fee: \$36.40 Linked to revenue code 636

* Providers should note that the vaccine is available at no charge to providers at this time. Therefore, the IHCP will pay at zero until further notice.

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