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CHIP Perinatal Members Eligible for COVID-19 Vaccine

Background: The CHIP Perinatal (CHIP-P) Program serves the CHIP perinate, including providing services to the pregnant woman if those services are for the direct benefit of the perinate. Recent studies have shown that the COVID-19 vaccination is safe for pregnant women, and vaccinating the pregnant woman has a benefit for the perinate. HHSC is clarifying CHIP coverage of the COVID-19 vaccine to ensure CHIP MCOs are aware the vaccine coverage also applies to CHIP-P members.

Key Details: Effective December 11, 2020, CHIP Perinate members enrolled in CHIP Perinatal services are eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. This includes the following procedure codes: 0001A, 0002A, 0011A, 0012A, 0031A. Providers will only be reimbursed for the vaccine administration. The vaccine is provided to them free of charge, so those codes (91300, 91301, and 91303) will process as informational only.

More information about the codes can be found on the American Medical Association's website: <https://www.ama-assn.org/find-covid-19-vaccine-codes>.