

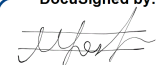


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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
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To: Managed Care Organizations
Pharmacists
Pharmacies

From: Athos Alexandrou, Director
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Re: Maryland Medicaid Reimbursement for Medication Therapy Management Services

Note: Please ensure that the appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.

This transmittal is a follow up to PT 29-24 and provides additional information related to the clinical criteria which must be met for Maryland Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) participants¹ to be eligible for Medication Therapy Management (MTM) services.

Effective January 1, 2024, Senate Bill 678 (Ch. 300 of the Acts of 2023) allows Medicaid-enrolled pharmacists to bill Maryland Medicaid for services allowed under their lawful scope of practice. Pharmacists who meet all Medicaid and Board of Pharmacy (Board) requirements may bill for MTM services when rendered to eligible Medicaid participants. Updates to the Program's pharmacist provider regulations, contained in COMAR 10.09.21, are currently pending promulgation.

¹ These criteria only apply to FFS participants. MCOs are responsible to develop their own criteria.

Participant Eligibility Criteria

A Maryland Medicaid FFS participant may qualify for MTM coverage if they meet one or more of the following criteria:

- The participant has three (3) or more of the following chronic diseases: diabetes, COPD/asthma, substance use disorder, hypertension or cardiovascular disease; and
- The participant is taking ten (10) or more maintenance medications.

Participants must be referred to an eligible MTM pharmacist provider by the Program to receive MTM services. Additionally, MTM is not covered for participants who are eligible for Medicare Part D, or for participants residing in a setting where medications are managed or administered by facility staff.

Coverage Limitations

MTM encounters must be face-to-face in an outpatient setting. No more than 1 encounter per day per participant is allowed. An additional 8-15 minute interval may be billed using add-on code 99607 if additional time beyond the allotted 15 minutes is needed during the encounter.

Allowable MTM CPT Codes

CPT	Description	Limits
99605	New patient 8-15 minutes	One unit per patient per 365-day period. Max one unit of service per day.
99606	Established Patient 8-15 minutes	One unit per patient per 365-day period. Max one unit of service per day.
99607	Additional 8-15 minutes interval	Two units per patient per 365-day period. Max one unit of service per day.

Exclusions

The following are not covered by the Program:

- MTM group visits;
- Broken or missed appointments;
- Time required for preparation of the MTM visits; or
- Follow-up/reminder telephone calls (not separately reimbursed).

For additional information

- For pharmacist scope of practice information, please refer to the [Board of Pharmacy's webpage](#).
- For general questions, please email mdh.pharmacistsprofservices@maryland.gov.
- Please visit https://health.maryland.gov/mmcp/Pages/pharmacist_prescribers.aspx for future updates.