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COVID-19 Vaccine and Treatment: Proper Coding Reminder

Dear Provider:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana wants to remind providers to bill COVID-19 vaccines and treatments with the designated codes for each manufacturer.

Providers should not bill Blue Cross for CPT® and HCPCS codes 91300, 91301, Q0239, Q0243 and Q0245. The federal government covers these COVID-19 vaccines and drugs.

Some providers are not billing the correct code for the second vaccination. Properly billed COVID-19 vaccinations should include the first and second administration code.

Vaccines:

Administration costs for the vaccines listed below are eligible for Blue Cross payment when billed with the correct codes:

Vaccines	Code Guidelines
Pfizer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 91300 – vaccine 0001A – first administration 0002A – second administration
Moderna	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 91301 – vaccine 0011A – first administration 0012A – second administration

Antibody Treatments:

Administration costs for the drugs listed below are eligible for Blue Cross payment when billed with the correct codes:

Monoclonal Antibody	Code Guidelines
Lilly (bamlanivimab)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q0239 – drug M0239 – infusion and monitoring
Regeneron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q0243 – drug M0243 – infusion and monitoring
Lilly (bamlanivimab & etesevimab)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q0245 – drug M0245 – infusion and monitoring

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Blue Cross will update providers on proper billing guidelines as more COVID-19 vaccines and treatments become available.

More Online

Be sure to visit our COVID-19 Provider Resources Page, where you can access our latest provider communications. Go to www.BCBSLA.com/providers, then click on the “COVID-19 Provider Resources” link at the top of the page. We will continue to add updated information to this page as it develops.

Contact Us

If you have questions about COVID-19 billing, email our Provider Relations Department at provider.relations@bcbsla.com. Please put “COVID-19 Billing” in the subject line.

Thank you for all that you do for your patients—our members, especially during this COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hiral Arges". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'H'.

Hiral Arges
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