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Public health emergency in the State of Florida for hepatitis A

Since 2018, there have been more than 22,000 cases of hepatitis A in the United States and more than 2,500 cases in Florida. On November 28, 2018, the Florida Department of Health (FDOH) issued a hepatitis A health advisory emphasizing awareness and prevention through vaccination.

The hepatitis A vaccine will be a covered benefit for at-risk Clear Health Alliance members enrolled in Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Managed Medical Assistance who are age 21 and over while the public health emergency is in effect. The vaccine will require prior authorization.

The hepatitis A vaccine is also covered through our network pharmacies. Members should check with their pharmacist or local county health department concerning the availability and administration of the vaccine.

Participating providers will be reimbursed for the cost of the vaccine and the administration fee of 10 by billing for the administration — 90471 (first dose) and 90472 (second dose) — and the applicable procedure code below:

CPT®	Hepatitis A vaccine for	Payment limit
codes	21-year-olds and older	(21+)
90632	Hepatitis A adult injection into muscle	\$67.55

This benefit will be in effect during the Public Health Emergency period that the Florida Surgeon General and Florida Department of Health declared due to the current hepatitis A outbreak.

The vaccine is not covered for dual-eligible members enrolled in a Medicare Part D plan or dual-eligible members enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan that covers the hepatitis A vaccine as a benefit.

Thank you for promoting the importance of hepatitis A prevention in your practice. Together we can help protect the public and minimize the impact on patients, their families and the community during this public health emergency.