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**Immunizations.****(A) General information.**

(1) Immunizations are usually given in conjunction with a medical service. When an immunization is the only service performed, the lowest level of office visit (evaluation and management code) may be billed in addition to the immunization procedure code without using modifier 25. Immunization procedure codes include the supply of materials and the provision of the vaccine except for vaccinations covered by the federal vaccines for children (VFC) program.

**(2) Designated free vaccines.**

(a) For dates of service on and after the effective date of this rule, pending the availability of the vaccine, the term "designated free vaccine(s)" shall mean:

(i) All immunizations covered under the VFC program which include the following immunizations for individuals eighteen years or younger:

90633	Hepatitis A, pediatric/adolescent, two dose schedule
90634	Hepatitis A, pediatric/adolescent, three dose schedule
90645	Hib (Hemophilus influenza B), HbOC conjugate
90646	Hib, PRP-D conjugate, for booster only
90647	Hib, PRP-OMP conjugate
90648	Hib, PRP-T conjugate
90649	Human papilloma virus (HPV), types 6, 11, 16, 18, three dose schedule
90655	Influenza, split virus, preservative free, six to thirty-five months of age
90656	Influenza, split virus, preservative free, three years of age and above
90657	Influenza, split virus, six to thirty-five months of age
90658	Influenza, split virus three years of age and above
90660	Influenza, intranasal
90669	Pneumococcal conjugate, polyvalent, children under five years of age

90680	Rotavirus vaccine, pentavalent, three dose schedule
90681	Rotavirus vaccine, live, oral
90696	DTaPIPv (diphtheria, tetanus toxoids, acellular pertussis adsorbed, inactivated poliovirus)
90698	DTaPIPHi (diphtheria, tetanus toxoids, acellular pertussis adsorbed, inactivated poliovirus, hemophilus b conjugate)
90700	DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis) for individuals younger than seven years of age
90702	DT (diphtheria and tetanus toxoids) for individuals younger than seven years of age
90703	Tetanus toxoid adsorbed
90707	MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella), live
90710	Measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella vaccine
90713	Poliovirus, inactivated, (IPV), subcutaneous
90714	Td (Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids) preservative free, for individuals seven years and older
90715	Tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis, for individuals seven years or older
90716	Varicella (chickenpox), live
90718	Td (Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids) adsorbed, for individuals seven years or older
90721	DTaP-Hib (diphtheria, tetanus toxoids, and acellular pertussis and Hemophilus influenza B)
90723	DtaP-HepB-IPV (diphtheria, tetanus toxoids, acellular pertussis, Hepatitis B, and poliovirus), inactivated
90732	Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine, 23- valent two years or older
90733	Meningococcal polysaccharide, two to eighteen years of age
90734	Meningococcal conjugate, serogroups A,C,Y and W-135, eleven to eighteen years of age for intramuscular use
90744	Hepatitis B vaccine; pediatric/adolescent dosage (three dose schedule)

90748	HepB-Hib, Hepatitis B and Hemophilus influenza b vaccine
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(ii) MMR boosters provided to twelve year olds (or preteens) who did not receive the recommended MMR booster from the ages of four years through six years.

(iii) The pandemic influenza virus vaccine, CPT code 90663.

(b) Providers of medicaid services may obtain the designated free vaccines from the Ohio department of health (ODH) free of charge for the immunization of eligible medicaid recipients. The availability of these vaccines is made possible through an interagency agreement between the department and ODH, and beginning October 1, 1994 through the federal VFC program. Information regarding participation in the designated free vaccine program is detailed in paragraph (D) of this rule.

(3) The term "nondesignated vaccines" shall mean all covered active and passive immunizations not designated as free vaccines in paragraph (A)(2) of this rule that are for individuals nineteen years of age or older.

(4) Under the medicaid program, "provision of the vaccine" or "provided the vaccine" means the provider either received the designated free vaccines from ODH or purchased, from the manufacturers, vaccines that are not designated as free vaccines. The provision of the vaccine is the hospital's responsibility when immunizations are provided in a hospital setting.

(B) Active immunizations.

(1) The active immunizations specified in paragraphs (B)(1)(a) and (B)(1)(b) of this rule are covered by the department when administered in accordance with the recommendations listed in paragraph (B)(1)(c) of this rule. Additional coverage limitations are specified in paragraphs (B)(2) to (B) (6) of this rule for certain immunizations listed in this paragraph.

(a) All designated free vaccines specified in paragraph (A)(2) of this rule.

(b) All nondesignated vaccines specified in this paragraph for individuals nineteen years of age or older.

90585**	BGG, percutaneous
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90586**	BCG, intravesical
90632	Hepatitis A, adult
90633**	Hepatitis A, pediatric/adolescent, two dose schedule
90634**	Hepatitis A, pediatric/adolescent, three dose schedule
90636	Hepatitis A and hepatitis B, adult
90645**	Hib (Hemophilus influenza B) HbOC conjugate
90646**	Hib, (PRP-D conjugate, for booster only
90647**	Hib, PRP-OMP conjugate
90648**	Hib, PRP-T conjugate
90656	Influenza, split virus, preservative free, three years of age and above
90658	Influenza, split virus, for use in individuals three years of age and above, intramuscular
90660	Influenza, intranasal
90675	Rabies, intramuscular
90676	Rabies, intradermal
90703	Tetanus toxoid adsorbed
90707	Measles, mumps, rubella virus (MMR)
90710**	Measles, mumps, rubella, varicella (MMRV)
90714	Td (Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids) preservative free, for individuals seven years and older
90715	Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids (Td), for individuals seven years and older.
90716	Varicella virus vaccine
90718	Td (Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids) adsorbed, for individuals seven years or older
90732	Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine, 23-valent, adult or immunosuppressed patient, for individuals two years or older

90733**	Meningococcal polysaccharide
90734**	Meningococcal conjugate, serogroups A,C,Y and W-135
90735**	Encephalitis
90740	Hepatitis B, dialysis or immunosuppressed patient (three dose schedule)
90746	Hepatitis B vaccine, adult (nineteen years or older)
90747	Hepatitis B vaccine, dialysis or immunosuppressed patient dosage (four dose schedule)

(c) National immunization recommendations referenced in paragraph (B)(1) of this rule can be found at the following web sites:

- (i) Centers for disease control (CDC) immunization recommendations can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/> 12/01/06;
- (ii) American academy of pediatrics (AAP) immunization recommendations can be found at <http://www.cispimmunize.org> 01/02/08; and
- (iii) Advisory committee on immunization practices (ACIP) recommendations can be found at <http://www.immunize.org/acip> 01/02/08.

(2) Hepatitis B vaccines (HBV).

- (a) Regardless of the formulation, hepatitis B vaccines administered to individuals under the age of nineteen, to include those who require dialysis or are immunosuppressed, are available free from ODH and must be billed using code 90744.
- (b) Hepatitis B vaccines administered to individuals nineteen years or older must be billed using code 90746.

(3) Active immunizations identified with an asterisk (\*) in paragraph (A)(2)(a) of this rule are available and covered only under special circumstances as determined and approved, on the basis of medical necessity, by the Ohio department of health.

(4) Active immunizations identified with a double asterisk (\*\*\*) in paragraph

(B)(1)(a) of this rule are covered on a case-by-case basis and only if determined by ODJFS as medically necessary.

(5) For dates of service on or after July 25, 2007, the human papilloma virus (HPV) vaccine will be covered for females age nine through eighteen.

(6) Preservative free influenza vaccine

For dates of service on and after September 1, 2005, the department will cover the preservative free influenza vaccine, codes 90655 and 90656, through the federal (VFC) program. The department will reimburse for the administration fee for this vaccine as described in paragraph (G)(2) of this rule.

(C) Immune globulins.

(1) Immune globulins are covered when it is medically necessary to provide passive immunity to an individual who is immunosuppressed, has an acquired or congenital immunodeficiency, is at risk of Rho(D) isoimmunization, or is in immediate danger of contracting hepatitis B, tetanus, or rabies through direct contamination with blood, saliva or other body fluids, through an open wound, bite, puncture, or mucous membrane. Immune globulins would include nonspecific human serum globulin and specific hyperimmune globulins such as hepatitis B, measles, pertussis, rabies, Rho(D), tetanus, vaccinia, and varicella-zoster.

(2) Use immune globulin codes in the range of 90281 through 90396 for immune globulins administered through the intramuscular or subcutaneous route. Otherwise, use an injection code as listed in appendix DD to rule 5101:3-1-60 of the Administrative Code. The following provisions apply to specific types of immune globulin services effective for services provided on and after January 1, 2003:

(a) For botulinum antitoxin, bill code 90287 if the antitoxin is for non-cosmetic purposes. For intravenous botulism immune globulin, bill the appropriate injection code as listed in appendix DD to rule 5101:3-1-60 of the Administrative Code.

(b) For cytomegalovirus immune globulin, human for intravenous use, bill 90291 per ml in the unit field.

(c) For respiratory syncytial virus immune globulin for intra-muscular use, bill 90378. For respiratory syncytial virus immune globulin for

intravenous use, bill the appropriate injection code as listed in appendix DD to rule 5101:3-1-60 of the Administrative Code.

(d) For Rho(D) immune globulin codes 90384 and 90385, bill one vial in the units field for each dose provided. For Rho(D) for intravenous use, bill the appropriate injection code.

(3) Effective January 1, 2003, code 90281 will be covered by the department when billed per ml. Code 90399 will not be recognized by the department when billing immune globulins.

(D) Participation in the free vaccine program for immunizations provided on or after October 1, 1994.

(1) The ODH will be the agency responsible for the enrollment of providers and the purchase, provision and distribution of the free vaccines under the VFC program. Therefore, Ohio medicaid will not be involved in the purchase, the provision, nor the distribution of the free vaccines available for medicaid patients after October 1, 1994.

(2) To receive free vaccines for the immunization of their medicaid patients, medicaid providers must enroll as participants in the federal vaccines for children (VFC) program by completing the federally required forms and submitting them to the ODH.

(E) Ordering.

(1) Providers may order the designated free vaccines listed in paragraph (A)(2) of this rule for all of their medicaid patients (both fee-for-service and managed care plan) directly from ODH by completing a vaccine order form and submitting it to ODH.

(2) Medicaid vaccine orders may be combined and submitted with the provider's orders for their other federal VFC program-eligible patients (i.e., uninsured, American Indian and native Alaskan patients).

(F) Billing.

(1) Designated free vaccines/ federal VFC program covered vaccines.

Medicaid providers are required:

- (a) To bill medicaid for the administration of the designated free vaccines provided to their fee-for-service medicaid patients using the appropriate codes; and
- (b) To report to medicaid contracting managed care plans (MCPs), as instructed by those managed care plans, the number of immunizations administered to their MCP-enrolled medicaid patients.

(2) Nondesignated vaccines.

- (a) Providers who provided the vaccines identified in paragraph (B)(1)(b) of this rule may be reimbursed the medicaid maximum for each immunization provided. For reimbursement the provider must bill the corresponding code for the immunization.
- (b) Nondesignated vaccines identified in paragraph (B)(1)(b) by a double asterisk (\*\*) must be billed by report with the medical indications for coverage.

(G) Reimbursement.

- (1) The medicaid maximum for each designated vaccine is not to exceed the medicare maximum for the vaccine. The department will pay the lesser of the provider's billed charge or the medicaid maximum as described in this paragraph.
- (2) The medicaid maximum for each designated free vaccine code is five dollars for dates of services on and after October 1, 1994 through June 30, 2008. Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2008 the medicaid maximum is ten dollars. As long as the designated free vaccines are available free through an interagency agreement between the department and ODH and/or the federal VFC program, the provider's lowest acquisition cost for the designated free vaccines is zero and reimbursement for these vaccines will be limited to the maximum set forth in this paragraph.
- (3) Effective for dates of service on and after July 25, 2007, the codes 90633, 90634, 90645, 90646, 90647, 90648, 90656, 90658, 90660, 90703, 90707, 90710, 90714, 90715, 90716, 90718, 90732, 90733, and 90734 for individuals eighteen years or younger will be covered under the federal vaccines for children program and will be reimbursed as described in paragraph (G)(2) of this rule. For adults over eighteen years of age, the codes will be reimbursed at the lesser of the provider's billed charge or the medicaid



maximum as described in paragraph (G)(1) of this rule.

- (4) Immunizations are reimbursable as a physician or clinic service only if the immunization was provided in a nonhospital setting.
- (5) Immunizations administered in a hospital setting are reimbursable only to a hospital billing on an institutional claim form/transaction.
- (6) Reimbursement is not available for the cost of designated free vaccines obtained from a source other than ODH.
- (7) Immunizations prescribed for residents of a long-term care facility (LTCF) for subsequent administration by LTCF staff are reimbursable only to a pharmacy participating in the medicaid program.

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