



Public Health Emergency Unwind – Update

In January, the Biden Administration announced its intent to end the national emergency and public health emergency (PHE) related to the COVID-19 pandemic on May 11, 2023. We will follow guidelines from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) unless otherwise noted. Below is a high-level overview of changes effective May 11, 2023.

COVID-19 Testing, specimen collection and specimen transfer

Member	Guidelines
HAP Commercial HAP Medicare Advantage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply cost share for COVID-19 testing At home test kits not covered G2023 and G2024 no longer payable 99000 and 99001 no longer payable
HAP Empowered Medicaid HAP Empowered MI Health Link	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No cost share for COVID-19 testing until Sept. 30, 2024 Cover at home test kits through Sept. 30, 2024. Kit must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FDA approved or granted FDA Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) when dispensed by a Medicaid-enrolled pharmacy Ordered by an authorized prescriber and up to one test per day

Telehealth and virtual visits including billing guidelines

Member	Guidelines
HAP Commercial HAP Medicare Advantage	Follow HAP's <i>Telemedicine, Telehealth & Virtual Care Services</i> benefit policy which is aligned with CMS guidelines. You can find the most up-to-date copy when you log in at hap.org and select <i>Benefit Admin Manual</i> under <i>More</i> .
HAP Empowered Medicaid HAP Empowered MI Health Link	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow MDHHS guidelines (MMP 23-10) Maternal Infant Health Providers follow MDHHS guidelines (MMP 23-17)

Prior authorization and referrals

Member	Guidelines
HAP Commercial HAP Medicare Advantage	Return to processes in place prior to PHE. Providers should always check to see if prior authorization is required. Members are expected to go to contracted providers. However, requests for services at non-contracted providers are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
HAP Empowered Medicaid HAP Empowered MI Health Link	

Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Medical Supplies Flexibilities

Member	Guidelines
HAP Commercial HAP Medicare Advantage	Follow CMS guidelines
HAP Empowered Medicaid HAP Empowered MI Health Link	Follow MDHHS guidelines (MMP 23-27)

COVID-19 Vaccine Administration

Member	Guidelines
HAP Commercial HAP Medicare Advantage	Cover with no cost share at an in-network provider. For more information, refer to <i>Immunizations & Vaccines (includes Monoclonal Antibodies for Pre-exposure Prevention of COVID-19)</i> benefit policy.
HAP Empowered Medicaid HAP Empowered MI Health Link	<p>Cover with no cost share through Sept. 30, 2024.</p> <p>Note: May 12, 2023 through Sept. 30, 2024, FQHCs, RHCs, Tribal FQHCs, and THC's will be reimbursed for COVID-19 vaccine administration services when no other eligible qualifying clinic visit is provided on the same date of service. For more information, refer to MMP 23-26.</p>

Appeals

- Return to normal timeframes.