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# **Texas Vendor Drug Program Pharmacy Provider Procedure Manual**

## **Mosquito Repellent**

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# 1 Mosquito Repellent Benefit

Texas HHS covers mosquito repellents for the prevention of the Zika virus. The benefit was initially offered between Aug. and Dec. 2016, and again between April and Dec. 2017. Mosquito repellents became a year-round benefit as of Feb. 2018.

## 1.1 Eligible Populations

- Females ages 10-55 years old and pregnant females of any age
- Males ages 14 and older

## 1.2 Quantity

- Coverage of mosquito repellents will be limited to two cans or bottles per calendar month: only one can or bottle may be dispensed per fill, with one optional refill available per calendar month.
- Mosquito repellent claims will not count against a person's monthly three-prescription limit for people enrolled in traditional Medicaid.

## 1.3 Client responsibility

- Approved claims for people eligible for Medicaid, the HTW program, and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) services program are provided at no cost.
- People enrolled in CHIP may be subject to a copay depending upon family income. Any potential copays should not exceed the cost of the product.

## 1.4 Covered Products

- Covered products have been selected based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control. Refer to the Mosquito Repellent Products in Appendix A for a current list of covered mosquito repellents.

## 1.5 Other Medicaid Benefits

Other Medicaid benefits available in response to Zika virus prevention include oral contraceptives and long-acting reversible contraceptive products that help to prevent pregnancy. These are available as a Medicaid benefit to eligible individuals. Other covered benefits include family planning services, diagnostic testing, targeted case management, physical therapy, long term services and support,

acetaminophen and oral electrolytes for Zika virus symptoms, and potential coverage for additional ultrasounds for pregnant women.

## 2 Covered Programs

The mosquito repellent benefit is available for people enrolled in the following programs:

- Medicaid (traditional and managed care)
- Children's Health Insurance Program and CHIP-Perinatal
- Healthy Texas Women program (HTW)
- Children with Special Health Care Needs services program

### 2.1 Medicaid, CHIP and HTW

Texas HHS issued the *Texas Medicaid Standing Order for Mosquito Repellent* for use by people enrolled in Medicaid, CHIP and HTW. This order serves as a prescription and allows pharmacists to dispense mosquito repellent under the terms of the order. Pharmacies are encouraged to use this order instead of contacting the person's healthcare providers for individual prescriptions for mosquito repellent. A prescription from a valid healthcare provider is required for any pharmacy or pharmacist not operating under the standing order.

Pharmacy staff request a copy of the standing order by emailing [vdp-formulary@hpsc.state.tx.us](mailto:vdp-formulary@hpsc.state.tx.us).

A prescription template for pharmacies is available on the VDP website at [www.txvendordrug.com/formulary/formulary/mosquito-repellent](http://www.txvendordrug.com/formulary/formulary/mosquito-repellent). The template is used only in the processing of claims for mosquito repellent for people enrolled in Texas Medicaid, CHIP and HTW under the standing order for mosquito repellent. Any unauthorized use of the prescriber information within the template is referred to the HHS Inspector General as potential fraud.

### 2.2 CSHCN Services program

A prescription is required for people enrolled in the CSHCN services program. Contact the person's health care provider to obtain a prescription for mosquito repellent.

## 3 Pharmacy Claim Submission

### 3.1 Prescriptions

- Refer to the Mosquito Repellent Prescription template available on the VDP website for claims filled using the *Texas Medicaid Standing Order for Mosquito Repellent*.
- Pharmacies should process the claim per the prescription details if a written prescription is provided.

### 3.2 Products

- Each product's 12-digit Universal Product Code (UPC) has been converted into an 11-digit National Drug Code (NDC) for claims submission. Refer to Appendix A.
- Mosquito repellent will be treated as a generic medication and pharmacies have the authority to fill the prescription with any covered product, unless the prescriber has stated "do not substitute" to specify the active ingredient.

### 3.3 Unit of Measure

- Pharmacy staff submit the standard unit in the "Unit of Measure" field (600-28) when processing claims.
  - ▶ For example, a 170-gram bottle should be submitted with a quantity of 170.

### 3.4 Days Supply

- A can of repellent is expected to last 15 days or more. Pharmacy staff are recommended to submit a 15-day supply.

### 3.5 Reimbursement

- The traditional Medicaid reimbursement is the usual and customary price to the public or up to a maximum of \$6.50 per can/bottle of mosquito repellent (inclusive of product cost and dispensing fee), with the total calendar month maximum of \$13.00. Products are not eligible for delivery fees or incentive fees.

- Reimbursement may vary between MCOs but may not exceed \$6.50 per can/bottle.
- Pharmacies will be required to submit their usual and customary cost for the items.

### **3.6 Overrides**

- Manual overrides for pregnant women 9 or younger or 55 or older may be needed.
  - ▶ For traditional Medicaid and HTW, contact the Pharmacy Benefits Access Help Desk at 1-800-435-4165.
  - ▶ For Medicaid managed care or CHIP, refer to the Prescriber MCO Assistance Chart from the "Downloads" page at [www.txvendordrug.com/resources/downloads](http://www.txvendordrug.com/resources/downloads).

## **4 Resources**

Download the HHS "Mosquito Repellent Benefit" flyer to display in pharmacies or doctor offices from the "Education and Training Materials" section at [www.txvendordrug.com/resources/downloads](http://www.txvendordrug.com/resources/downloads).

The websites below contain information about the Zika virus, including printable fliers and handouts be ordered at no cost to health care providers:

- Texas Department of State Health Services
  - ▶ [www.texaszika.org](http://www.texaszika.org)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
  - ▶ [www.cdc.gov/zika/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/zika/index.html)

## Appendix A. Mosquito Repellent Products

Covered products have been selected based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and include the recommended amount of the active ingredient DEET, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or Picaridin.

NDC	Product Name	Product UPC	Package Size	Unit of Measure	Active Ingredient
11423000338	Repel Sportsmen Max 40% spray	011423003387	184	GM	DEET
11423094109	Repel Lemon Eucalyptus 30% spray	011423941092	118	ML	Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus
11423094133	Repel Sportsmen Dry 25% spray	011423941337	113	GM	DEET
11423094137	Repel Sportsmen 25% spray	011423941375	184	GM	DEET
11423094139	Repel Hunter's 25% spray	011423941399	184	GM	DEET
46500071764	Off Deep Woods Dry 25% spray	046500717642	113	GM	DEET
46500001842	Off Deep Woods 25% spray	046500018428	170	GM	DEET
46500001859	Off Deep Woods 25% spray	04650001859X	311	GM	DEET
46500021845	Off Deep Woods 25% spray	046500218453	177	ML	DEET
46500022930	Off Deep Woods 25% spray	04650022930X	255	GM	DEET
46500061851	Off Deep Woods Sportsmen 30% spray	046500618512	170	GM	DEET
46500072131	Off Deep Woods Dry 25% spray	04650072131X	113	GM	DEET

NDC	Product Name	Product UPC	Package Size	Unit of Measure	Active Ingredient
46500072925	Off Deep Woods 25% spray	046500729256	266	ML	DEET
46500081846	Off Deep Woods Sportsmen 25% spray	046500818462	177	ML	DEET
51131067777	Ultrathon 25% repellent spray	051131677777	170	GM	DEET
68093000746	Coleman SkinSmart	368093007468	147	ML	IR3535
68093000747	Coleman SkinSmart	368093007473	170	GM	IR3535
68093007514	Coleman High-Dry 25% spray	368093075146	113	GM	DEET
68093007732	Coleman Botanicals insect spray	368093077324	118	ML	Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus
71121096014	Cutter Lemon Eucalyptus spray	071121960146	118	ML	Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus
71121096280	Cutter Backwoods 25% spray	071121962805	170	GM	DEET
71121096283	Cutter Backwoods 25% spray	071121962836	311	GM	DEET
71121096284	Cutter Backwoods 25% spray	071121962843	177	ML	DEET
71121096435	Cutter Backwoods Dry 25% spray	071121964359	113	GM	DEET
44224006878	Natrapel 20% spray	044224068781	177	ML	Picaridin
50716000544	Insect Repellent 20% spray (Sawyer)	050716005448	118	ML	Picaridin