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

## **Mosquito Repellent**

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# 1 Mosquito Repellent Benefit

HHSC 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
- Children with Special Health Care Needs services program

### 2.1 Medicaid and CHIP

HHSC issued the Texas Medicaid Standing Order for Mosquito Repellent for use by people enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP. 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.

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

A prescription from a valid healthcare provider is required for any pharmacy or pharmacist not operating under the standing order.

#### 2.1.1 Prescription Template

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 and CHIP, 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 Healthy Texas Women Program

A prescription is not required for people enrolled in the HTW Program. The information in Table 1 should be used to process claims.

**Table 1: Healthy Texas Women Program Claim Processing**

| Field                                    | Value                                |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Provider name<br>(Last Name, First Name) | Zika, Zika                           |
| Address                                  | 4900 N. Lamar Blvd, Austin, TX 78751 |
| NPI                                      | 1234568883                           |
| License                                  | 2126X                                |

There is no standing order available for people enrolled in the HTW Program.

### 2.2.1 Prescription Template

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). Pharmacy staff can print the template for its records, if needed. The template is used only in the processing of claims for mosquito repellent for people enrolled in the HTW Program. Any unauthorized use of the prescriber information within the template is referred to the HHS Inspector General as potential fraud.

### 2.3 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

- For dispensing under the standing order refer to the Mosquito Repellent Prescription templates available on the VDP website.
- 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, 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

The websites below contain information about the Zika virus, including printable fliers and handouts that may 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                    |



| <b>NDC</b>  | <b>Product Name</b>                 | <b>Product UPC</b> | <b>Package Size</b> | <b>Unit of Measure</b> | <b>Active Ingredient</b> |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 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                |