Vaccine Information
for Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program

Medicaid

Most children with Medicaid coverage are enrolled in the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care
(SMMC) Managed Medical Assistance Program (MMA) and receive their services from one of
the MMA health plans. Children with Medicaid coverage through the age of 18 are eligible for
vaccines through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program.

The following table illustrates how claims should be submitted for children with Medicaid
coverage.

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<td>Providers submit claims to the MMA health plan. Follow the plan’s instructions for submitting claims.</td>
<td>Providers submit claims to the Medicaid Fiscal Agent using the appropriate vaccine product code. Do not use the vaccine administration code.</td>
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<td>Vaccines not covered by VFC</td>
<td>Providers submit claims to the MMA health plan. Follow the plan’s instructions for submitting claims.</td>
<td>Providers submit claims to the Medicaid Fiscal Agent for the cost of the vaccine and the administration fee using the appropriate vaccine product code. Do not use the vaccine administration code.</td>
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Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

The CHIP program in Florida includes the following three programs:

- **MediKids** – for children ages 1 through 4, administered by the Agency for Health care
  Administration. Children are enrolled in Medicaid MMA health plans.

- **Healthy Kids** - for children ages 5 through 18, administered by the Florida Healthy Kids
  Corporation. Children are enrolled in Healthy Kids health and dental plans.
• **Title XXI Children’s Medical Services Plan (Title XXI CMS Plan)** – for children through age 18 with special health care needs, administered by the Department of Health. Children are enrolled with a CMS Integrated Care System.

Children with CHIP coverage are not eligible for vaccines through the VFC program. Each CHIP program has their own delivery system for accessing services and claims submissions. Providers need to determine the type of coverage a child has in order to submit claims and be reimbursed correctly.

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**Additional MediKids Information**

- When verifying coverage, MediKids coverage can be identified with the benefit plan MKIDS and categories MKA, MKB and MKC.
- The vaccine codes and fees for MediKids can be found on the Agency for Health Care Administration’s website at: [http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/MediKids/publications.shtml](http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/MediKids/publications.shtml)
- The following two links are under “Current Codes and Fees”.
  1. **Title XXI Medicaid Managed Medical Assistance Plans Immunization Codes** – These are the codes and fees to use when a MediKids child is assigned to a MMA health plan. The fee only includes the cost of the vaccine.
2. **Title XXI CHIP Immunization Codes** - These are the codes and fees to use when a MediKids child is fee-for-service. The fee includes both the cost of the vaccine and the administration fee.