## Louisiana Department of Health Informational Bulletin



## To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

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Subject: Informational Bulletin 23-12: Midwifery Services Reimbursement Rate Update (REVISED)

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## Midwifery Services Reimbursement Rate Update (REVISED)

Effective August 1, 2023, Louisiana Medicaid updated the reimbursement rates for midwifery services (licensed midwives and certified nurse midwives). The Medicaid procedure file has been updated to reflect this change, and the Professional Services (Fee-for-Service) fee schedule will be updated on the Louisiana Medicaid website, <u>www.lamedicaid.com</u>.

**PLEASE NOTE:** In order for **certified nurse midwives** to receive the increased rate for pregnancyand childbirth-related services, the modifier UC must be appended to each of the procedure codes listed on the claim form. Licensed midwives are not required to utilize modifier UC on claim forms.

<u>Certified nurse midwives</u> should not append modifier UC to procedure codes for physician administered injections; long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARC); immunizations; and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) preventive medical, vision and hearing screenings as these services are reimbursed at 100 percent. Appending modifier UC to these procedure codes will result in a decrease of the reimbursement amount for these services.

Please review Informational Bulletin 23-12 for more details.

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