## Louisiana Department of Health Informational Bulletin



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Subject: Informational Bulletin 22-26: Monkeypox Vaccine

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## **Monkeypox Vaccine**

The Louisiana Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) professional services file has been updated to include coverage of the "smallpox and monkeypox vaccine attenuated vaccinia virus, live, non-replicating, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage, suspension, for subcutaneous use," (CPT 90611) effective with dates of service on and after July 26, 2022.

The immunization fee schedules have been updated on the Louisiana Medicaid website at <a href="https://www.lamedicaid.com">https://www.lamedicaid.com</a> to include this vaccine on the "Young Adult" and "Adult" fee schedules.

This vaccine is currently provided at no cost and the vaccine code shall be reimbursed at \$0. AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana will only reimburse claims for the vaccine and vaccine administration when performed, documented and coded appropriately.

Providers may resubmit denied FFS claims for this vaccine with dates of service on or after July 26, 2022.

Questions regarding this message should be directed to AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Provider Services at 1-888-922-0007. The Provider Services Department can be reached between 7:00 am – 7:00 pm daily.

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