



# Important Provider Notification

## 2014-2015 Flu and Pneumonia Vaccines

Flu season has arrived. Flu and pneumonia vaccines are **annual covered benefits for all Clear Health Alliance Members**. **Pneumonia vaccine requires prior authorization.**

Influenza and pneumonia vaccinations are covered through our network pharmacies. Members should check with their pharmacist concerning the availability and administration of both vaccines.

CHA also reimburses participating providers for influenza and pneumococcal vaccinations as follows:

- Birth – 18 year old members - participating providers will receive vaccines free for Medicaid members from birth through 18 years of age by joining the Federal Vaccine for Children Program (VFC). CHA will reimburse the provider the administration fee for the vaccine as per their contract.
- 19- 20 year old members - participating providers will be reimbursed the cost of the vaccine and the administration fee as per the provider's contract.
- 21 year old and older - Participating providers will be reimbursed for the cost of the vaccine and the administration fee by billing with the following procedure codes:

CPT Codes	Vaccine and Administration Fee Rates
90656	Influenza virus vaccine, intramuscular, no preserv., ages 3 years and older <b>\$25.00</b>
90686	Influenza virus vaccine, intramuscular, no preserv., ages 3 years and older <b>\$25.00</b>
90670	Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine, 13 valent, for intramuscular use <b>\$148.00</b>
90732	Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine, 23-valent, subcutaneous or intramuscular adult or immunosuppressed patient dosage, 2 years and older <b>\$78.00</b>

In the next few weeks, members will be advised to go to any participating pharmacy or PCP to get the flu shot. For the pneumococcal vaccine, members will be advised to consult with their PCPs. Our member education efforts will continue throughout the season.

Thank you in advance for promoting the importance of flu prevention in your practice as well as to our members during their visit. Together we can help minimize the flu's impact on patients, their families and the community this flu season.