



## Medicaid Transmittal Letter (MTL) No. 3334-21-01

DATE: January 17, 2021  
TO: Eligible Medicaid Pharmacist Providers  
Community Behavioral Health Providers  
Federally Qualified Health Centers  
Rural Health Clinics  
Chief Executive Officers, Medicaid Managed Care Plans  
Other Interested Parties  
FROM: Maureen M. Corcoran, Medicaid Director  
SUBJECT: Rules regarding services provided by a pharmacist

General coverage and payment policy for services provided by a pharmacist is set forth in one rule located in Chapter 5160-8 of the Ohio Administrative Code:  
Rule 5160-8-52, "Services provided by a pharmacist."

This new rule adds coverage to services provided by a pharmacist if rendered for:

- Managing medication therapy under a consulting agreement with a prescribing practitioner pursuant to section 4729.39 of the Revised Code;
- Administering immunizations in accordance with section 4729.41 of the Revised Code; or
- Administering medications in accordance with section 4729.45 of the Revised Code.

The following rules have been amended to address the coverage and payment policies for services provided by a pharmacist employed by a community behavioral health provider:

Rule 5160-27-01 "Eligible provider for behavioral health services."

Rule 5160-27-02 "Coverage and limitations of behavioral health services."

Rule 5160-27-03 "Reimbursement for community behavioral health services."

Additionally, non-pharmacist related revisions to the Chapter 5160-27 rules include:

- 5160-27-01: Clarifies the list of providers types unlicensed practitioners may operate under with general supervision. Licensed providers continue to be subject to requirements in paragraph (A).
- 5160-27-02: Clarifies coverage of peer recovery services, and updates references related to telehealth.
- 5160-27-03: Added new billing code for prolonged services in Appendix A.

The four rules are effective January 17, 2021.

### Additional Information

Information about the services and programs of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) may be accessed through the main ODM web page, <http://www.medicaid.ohio.gov>.