



**Medicaid Transmittal Letter No. 3338-21-01**

DATE: March 26, 2021  
TO: Eligible Medicaid Providers of Podiatric Services  
Chief Executive Officers, Managed Care Plans  
Other Interested Parties  
FROM: Maureen M. Corcoran, Medicaid Director

SUBJECT: Consolidation of the Medicaid Podiatry Services Rules

As a result of five-year review, the four rules concerning the coverage of and payment for podiatry services, located in Chapter 5160-7 of the Ohio Administrative Code, have been rescinded. The provisions of these four rules have been combined into a single new rule.

New rule 5160-7-01 “Podiatry Services” is replacing the four current rules of Chapter 5160-7 of the Ohio Administrative Code. This rule details eligible providers, coverage and payment in the Ohio Medicaid podiatric services program. There are no changes to coverage or policy, however, ODM is clarifying that payment may be made for vaccinations administered within a podiatrist's normal scope of practice in accordance with state law and rule 5160-4-12 of the Administrative Code.

ODM recognizes the new 2021 definitions and guidelines for certain “office or other patient visit” evaluation management services effective January 1, 2021. Each such service is to include “a medically appropriate history and/or examination,” and the code selection is to be based on the Medical Decision Making (MDM) level or total time spent on that date by the clinician.

The effective date of this rule change is April 1, 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>.

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