

## ND Medicaid Program

Effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 2022, North Dakota Medicaid will now include the Medicare Average Sales Price Drug Pricing file in the overall lesser of logic calculation for prescribed drugs. Medicaid expenditures for these services are expected to decrease \$500,000 for a 12-month period.

North Dakota Medicaid assures coverage of COVID-19 vaccines and administration of the vaccines and coverage for any medically necessary COVID-19 vaccine counseling for children under the age of 21.

North Dakota Medicaid assures coverage of COVID-19 testing consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) definitions of diagnostic and screening testing for COVID-19 and its recommendations for who should receive diagnostic and screening tests for COVID-19.

North Dakota Medicaid assures coverage of COVID-19 treatment, including specialized equipment and therapies.

ND Medicaid follows the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) Edits. These edits were developed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) based on coding conventions defined in the American Medical Association's Correct Procedure Terminology Manual, national and local policies and edits, coding guidelines developed by national societies, analysis of standard medical and surgical practices, and a review of current coding practices. CMS annually updates the National Correct Coding Initiative Coding Policy Manual.

Comments can be sent to and viewed at: Medical Services Division Room 309, ND Department of Human Services, 600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Questions may be directed to human service zone offices, or individuals may contact the ND Medicaid Program at 1-800-755-2604.

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