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# Provider Alert

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To: **Sharp Health Plan Providers and Provider Office Staff**  
From: **Sharp Health Plan**  
Date: **March 29, 2021**  
Subject: **COVID-19 Member Cost-Share Waiver Extended to June 30, 2021**

Attention Provider Partner:

Sharp Health Plan is further extending its cost-share waiver for medically necessary COVID-19 treatment services to June 30, 2021. We will continue to waive members' cost share for COVID-19 screening and testing until further notice from state and federal regulators.

## **No cost for COVID-19 screening, testing and treatment services.**

- Sharp Health Plan has eliminated member cost-sharing for all medically necessary:
  - COVID-19 screening and testing for commercial patients (group, individual & Covered California).
  - COVID-19 testing for Medicare patients.
  - COVID-19 treatment services received April 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 for all patients.
- Interim coding guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is available at [sharphealthplan.com/covid19coding](https://sharphealthplan.com/covid19coding). Claims submitted using these codes will be processed with no cost-share for your patients.

Cost sharing includes, but is not limited to, copays, deductibles and coinsurance. Medically necessary screening and testing for COVID-19 includes hospital (including emergency department), urgent care, and provider office visits for the purpose of screening and/or testing for COVID-19.

We are continuing to monitor and follow guidance from all state and federal agencies and local public health officials. We will continue to update our COVID-19 resource center online as we receive new information and guidance. Please visit [sharphealthplan.com/for-providers/covid19](https://sharphealthplan.com/for-providers/covid19) for the latest information.

Thank you for your continued service to help keep our communities safe. We appreciate your hard work and dedication.

Sincerely,

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