RSV vaccine Abrysvo for pregnant UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Maryland members

Quick reference guide

Overview

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Maryland and the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) encourage all Medicaid prenatal health care professionals to offer the respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine to all eligible pregnant patients.

RSV infection is the leading cause of pneumonia and hospitalization for children under 12 months old, and we aim to protect all Maryland newborns by either vaccinating their birthing parent with Abrysvo™ or administering the RSV immunization Beyfortus™ (nirsevimab-alip) to the infant after birth.

How to help support pregnant patients

The CDC reports that Abrysvo is a safe and highly effective vaccine that can reduce a newborn's risk of being hospitalized from RSV by 57% in the first 6 months after birth.

You can help support patients when you:

- · Offer and administer Abrysvo directly in your practice or clinic
 - More information on purchasing, storage and administration of Abrysvo is available on the **Pfizer website**
- Refer eligible pregnant members to our case management for assistance to help find a local pharmacy that administers Abrysvo
 - Case management resources:
 - Healthy First Steps®: Call 800-599-5985, TTY 711, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. ET, Monday-Friday
 - For initial referrals to Whole Person Care and all other case management and care coordination referral needs, call the special needs coordinator at 800-460-5689
- Communicate the pregnant member's vaccination status to the newborn's pediatric provider so that it can be determined whether the infant needs to receive the protective RSV monoclonal antibody injection, Beyfortus (nirsevimab-alip)



RSV vaccine coverage and billing process

You can verify the RSV vaccine coverage and billing process when you use the following tools:

- The **PreCheck MyScript**° **tool** provides real-time, patient-specific prescription data. First, sign in to the UnitedHealthcare Provider Portal. Then, select the PreCheck MyScript tile on your portal dashboard.
 - PreCheck My Script Electronic Medical Record Integration frequently asked questions
- The prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP) requires health care professionals who prescribe controlled dangerous substances to register for Chesapeake Regional Information System for Our Patients (CRISP) to review PDMP data. Use the following resources to complete your CRISP registration:
 - Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)



Questions?

If you would like further information or have questions, please email **mdh.izinfo@maryland.gov**. For chat options and contact information, visit **UHCprovider.com/contactus**.

