



**Louisiana Department of Health**  
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**Midwifery Services Reimbursement Rate Update**

Effective August 1, 2023, Louisiana Medicaid updated the reimbursement rates for midwifery services (licensed midwives and certified nurse midwives). The Medicaid procedure file has been updated to reflect this change, and the Professional Services (Fee-for-Service) fee schedule will be updated on the Louisiana Medicaid website, [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com).

**PLEASE NOTE:** In order for **certified nurse midwives** to receive the increased rate for pregnancy- and childbirth-related services, the modifier UC must be appended to each of the procedure codes listed on the claim form. Licensed midwives are not required to utilize modifier UC on claim forms.

**Certified nurse midwives** should not append modifier UC to procedure codes for physician-administered injections; long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARC); immunizations; and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) preventive medical, vision and hearing screenings as these services are reimbursed at 100 percent. Appending modifier UC to these procedure codes will result in a decrease of the reimbursement amount for these services.

Each managed care organization (MCO) must update its system to reflect the new rates within 30 days of this notification (Section 2.18.9.5 of the contract). MCOs shall also notify providers of their process and timeline for implementing the midwifery services reimbursement update.

Questions regarding this message and Fee-for-Service claims are to be directed to Gainwell Technologies at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040.

Questions regarding managed care claims should be directed to the appropriate MCO.