



Alert: Updates to STAR Kids Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Billing Matrix for December 1, 2022

July 20, 2022

What is New

This is a notification to our Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX) Medicaid providers. Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) updated the [STAR Kids Long-Term Services and Supports \(LTSS\) billing matrix](#) and crosswalk ([published April 2022](#)) and added NCCI-related revisions to be effective for **December 1, 2022**.

For services provided on or after **December 1, 2022**, BCBSTX is required to allow prior authorizations with new codes and modifier combination no later than **October 17, 2022**.

Any prior authorization for services using old codes will not be accepted after **October 17, 2022**.

Code Changes

The code changes are detailed below:

- The note at the top of the matrix now states, “MDCP (Medically Dependent Children Program) modifier (U6) added to all state plan services to designate MDCP members on encounter claims, except for STAR Health.”
- Updates to HCPC Codes:
 - H2023 – Supportive Employment
 - H2025 – Employment Assistance
- In row 42 Emergency Response Service, Monthly, Community First Choice (CFC), and MDCP, the U6 modifier moved to second position.

Please refer to our [website](#) and the [STAR Kids Handbook Policy Updates](#) for updates.

Questions

For questions or additional information, please:

- Contact your BCBSTX Medicaid Network team at **1-855-212-1615**, or
- Submit via email to [Texas Medicaid Network Department](#)