

Provider Alert



Monkeypox Vaccine Coverage

In accordance with Executive Order No. 20, signed by New York State Gov. Kathy Hochul, **a disaster emergency** was declared in the State of New York due to the ongoing spread of the **monkeypox virus**. The Department of Health, the Department of Financial Services, and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services have also issued guidance. In response, Healthfirst began covering the administration of the monkeypox vaccine on July 26, 2022.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides **two no-cost vaccines** licensed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA):

Vaccine Name	CPT Code	Code Description	
JYNNEOS (Imvamune or Imvanex)	90611	Smallpox and monkeypox vaccine, attenuated vaccinia virus, live, nonreplicating, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage, suspension, for subcutaneous injection	
ACAM2000	90622	Vaccinia (smallpox) virus vaccine, live, lyophilized, 0.3 mL dosage, for percutaneous use	

Providers are expected to use conventional administration codes when billing Healthfirst for the administration of this vaccine. Please refer to the following chart for applicable member cost-sharing by service and Healthfirst line of business.

Product/LOB	Vaccine	Testing	Evaluation & Diagnosis	Treatment and Follow-up
Medicare	\$0	Usual cost-	Usual cost-	Usual cost-
	cost-sharing	sharing applies*	sharing applies*	sharing applies*
HFIC/QHP	\$0	Usual cost-	Usual cost-	Usual cost-
	cost-sharing	sharing applies*	sharing applies*	sharing applies*
Essential Plan	\$0	Usual cost-	Usual cost-	Usual cost-
	cost-sharing	sharing applies*	sharing applies*	sharing applies*
Medicaid/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
HARP/CHPlus	cost-sharing	cost-sharing	cost-sharing	cost-sharing
MAP/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CompleteCare	cost-sharing	cost-sharing	cost-sharing	cost-sharing

^{*}Members should review benefit plan documents (i.e., Evidence of Coverage or SBC) for cost-sharing information.

Questions?

Please reach out to your Healthfirst Network Account Manager.

For more information, please reference the following resources:

- Monkeypox Testing Guidance | New York State Department of Health, Wadsworth Center
- Monkeypox in New York State (nysdoh.gov)
- Smallpox/Monkeypox Vaccine Information Statements (VISs) (cdc.gov)
- Use of JYNNEOS MMWR (cdc.gov)
- JYNNEOS Information (fda.gov)