




<p><b>ISSUE DATE</b></p> <p>July 6, 2022</p>	<p><b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b></p> <p>July 1, 2022</p>	<p><b>NUMBER</b></p> <p>09-22-37, 10-22-10, 14-22-26, 25-22-01, 31-22-38</p>
<p><b>SUBJECT</b></p> <p>Disposable Surgical Masks</p>		<p><b>BY</b></p>  <p>Sally A. Kozak, Deputy Secretary Office of Medical Assistance Programs</p>

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** All providers must revalidate the Medical Assistance (MA) enrollment of each service location every 5 years. Providers should log into PROMISe to check the revalidation dates of each service location and submit revalidation applications at least 60 days prior to the revalidation dates. Enrollment (revalidation) applications may be found at: <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/PROMISe-Enrollment.aspx>.

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this bulletin is to announce the addition of procedure code A4928 to the Medical Assistance (MA) Program Fee Schedule for disposable surgical masks dispensed to MA beneficiaries, effective with dates of service on and after July 1, 2022.

**SCOPE:**

This bulletin applies to MA enrolled certified registered nurse practitioners, physician assistants, physicians, podiatrists, and medical suppliers that prescribe or dispense disposable surgical masks to MA beneficiaries in the fee-for-service and managed care delivery systems. Providers rendering services to MA beneficiaries in the managed care delivery system should contact the appropriate managed care organization with any billing questions.

**BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:**

On March 6, 2020, Governor Tom Wolf issued a disaster declaration in response to the presence of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Pennsylvania. On March 13, 2020, COVID-19 was declared a nationwide emergency under the Stafford Act retroactive to March 1, 2020. Due to the continued presence of COVID-19, beneficiaries use personal protective equipment to help

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Fee-for-service provider service center: 1-800-537-8862

Visit the Office of Medical Assistance Programs website at:

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Health%20Care%20for%20Providers/Contact-Information-for-Providers.aspx>.

prevent the spread of disease. As a result, the Department of Human Services (Department) is adding disposable surgical masks to the MA Program Fee Schedule.

**PROCEDURE:**

The Department is adding procedure code A4928 to the MA Program Fee Schedule for MA enrolled medical suppliers, effective with dates of service on and after July 1, 2022, as follows:

<b>Procedure Code</b>	<b>Code Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>	<b>Unit Limit</b>	<b>Age Limit</b>
A4928	Surgical Mask, Per 20	\$19.96 per box	2 boxes per month	Age 2-120

Providers should refer to this bulletin, as well as the PROMISe™ Provider Handbook and Billing Guides that can be found on the Department’s website at:  
[https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/PROMISe\\_Guides/Documents/837%20Professional%20CMS%201500%20Claim%20Form.pdf](https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/PROMISe_Guides/Documents/837%20Professional%20CMS%201500%20Claim%20Form.pdf).

The MA Program Fee Schedule has been updated to reflect this procedure code addition. Providers may access the online version of the MA Program Fee Schedule on the Department’s website at:  
<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Health%20Care%20for%20Providers/MA-Fee-Schedule.aspx>.