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**To:** AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

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**Subject:** Informational Bulletin 22-31: Enteral Formula Reimbursement Changes and Publication of New Fee Schedules

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**Enteral Formula Reimbursement Changes and Publication of New Fee Schedules**

Effective with dates of service on or after January 1, 2023, Louisiana Medicaid will implement changes to enteral formula provided through the Durable Medical Equipment (DME) program. These changes include:

- Reimbursement based on the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) to align with other state Medicaid programs, Medicare and commercial payers;
- Publication of a new Enteral Formula fee schedule with updated rates for each HCPCS;
- Removal of the requirement to include the National Drug Code (NDC) for enteral formula reimbursement with the exception of metabolic formulas, which are only available to the Office of Public Health; and
- Publication of a new Metabolic Enteral Formula fee schedule. The NDC will remain a requirement and the rates will remain unchanged for these formulas.

This administrative simplification project will allow you to bill one HCPCS code for multiple flavors and brands that fall under that same HCPCS code set. This change will also help to simplify your billing process and reduce the need for new prior authorization (PA) requests and/or requests for reconsideration when there is a change in the enteral formula prescribed.

There will be no change to the DME provider manual. Fee schedules will be posted to [lamedicaid.com](http://lamedicaid.com) no later than close of business on November 30, 2022. AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana will update system no later than December 29, 2022.

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