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STAR/CHIP Members May Access Mosquito Repellents Through Pharmacy

According to a June 26 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notice, locally acquired malaria cases were identified in Texas. To prevent and control the spread of malaria and other mosquito-borne diseases in Texas, HHSC reminds pharmacies and other providers of the mosquito repellent pharmacy benefit.

HHSC covers mosquito repellents year-round to prevent mosquito-borne diseases for clients enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP.

Coverage of mosquito repellent is limited to two cans or bottles per calendar month, and all programs require a prescription.

Members can contact their healthcare provider to obtain a prescription for mosquito repellent.

Refer to the Formulary Product search and select the "mosquito" repellent" checkbox to identify the available products.

Resources:

Mosquito Repellents section of the Pharmacy Provider Procedures

Manual Texas Medicaid Mosquito Repellent Benefit Quick Course

Mosquito Repellent Benefit information flyers (for clients and pharmacies)

Texas HHS: Zika Medicaid Benefit Texas Department of State Health Services

CDC - The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health