



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Valued Medicaid and CHIP Providers

**FROM:** El Paso Health

**DATE:** March 24, 2020

**RE:** COVID-19 Testing Procedure Codes

Effective April 1, 2020, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission indicated the following two procedure codes will be a benefit of Texas Medicaid for dates of service on or after February 4, 2020:

- Procedure code: U0001  
(CDC lab testing) Novel coronavirus (2019-ncov) real-time rt-pcr-diagnostic panel
- Procedure code: U0002  
(Non- CDC lab testing) 2019-ncov coronavirus,sars-cov-2/2019-ncov (covid-19), any technique, multiple types or subtypes (includes all targets),

Contact our Provider Relations Department at 915-532-3778 for any questions regarding this information.

El Paso Health STAR and CHIP members may call our 24-hour FIRSTCall Medical Advice Infoline to speak to professionals regarding health questions.

**FIRSTCall Medical Advice Infoline**  
**1-844-549-2826**

El Paso Health will provide updates as new information is received.

Resources:

TMHP

[http://www.tmhp.com/News\\_Items/2020/03-March/03-16-20%20Coronavirus%20Testing%20Procedure%20Codes%20to%20Become%20a%20Benefit.pdf](http://www.tmhp.com/News_Items/2020/03-March/03-16-20%20Coronavirus%20Testing%20Procedure%20Codes%20to%20Become%20a%20Benefit.pdf)