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## New Provider Type Created for Doula Services

Per Nevada Assembly Bill (AB) 256 and Senate Bill (SB) 420 passed in 2021, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is implementing a new provider type (PT) for doula services. The new provider type will be implemented when the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) gives approval to DHCFP to move forward.

**Beginning April 1, 2022, providers may enroll with Nevada Medicaid to provide PT 90 – Doula services as a group (specialty 890) or as an individual (specialty 990) with an effective date of enrollment of April 1, 2022.** Providers who enroll after April 1, 2022, may request a retroactive enrollment effective date of April 1, 2022.

- Enrollment must include certification to perform doula services from the Nevada Certification Board. The Nevada Certification Board will accept certification applications beginning April 1, 2022.
- Doulas may provide services under the following PTs but cannot link to them: PT 12 (Hospital, Outpatient); PT 17 (Special Clinics) specialties 181 (Federally Qualified Health Center) and 182 (Indian Health Services, Non-Tribal); PT 47 (Indian Health Programs and Tribal Clinics); PT 52 (Indian Health Service Hospital, Outpatient (Tribal)); and PT 79 (Indian Health Service Hospital, Outpatient (Non-Tribal)).
- Individual doula providers have the option of linking to provider agencies, including but not limited to, obstetric physicians or midwifery practices and independent providers. Doulas affiliated with a group must enroll as an individual Nevada Medicaid doula provider. Individual doula providers retain the ability to unlink or link to new groups – or to bill independently – if desired.

After providers complete the provider enrollment process, they may submit **claims with dates of service on or after April 1, 2022.**

- Claims with dates of service on or after April 1, 2022, may suspend with error code 853 (HCPCS – Annual update – suspend claims). A future web announcement will notify providers when the suspended claims will be released for adjudication.

The Enrollment Checklist and Billing Guide for this new provider type will be posted on the [Provider Enrollment Checklist](#) webpage and the [Provider Billing Information](#) webpage, respectively.

[Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 600 \(Physician Services\)](#) and [MSM Chapter 2900 \(Federally Qualified Health Centers\)](#) will be updated with policy applicable to Doulas.