



Mosquito Repellent Available as Statewide Benefit

Texas Health and Human Services covers certain mosquito repellent products for the prevention of Zika virus as a benefit in Medicaid and other state programs.

Who is covered?

Pregnant women of any age, women and girls ages 10-55, and males 14 and older, as applicable, in the following programs:

- Medicaid
- Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- CHIP-Perinatal
- Healthy Texas Women Program (HTW)
- Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program (CSHCN)
- Family Planning Program
- Title V Prenatal Medical Fee-for-Service Program

Benefit Details

- This is a year-round benefit.
- One can/bottle of mosquito repellent is permitted per person, with one refill allowed per month.
- Mosquito repellent will not count against the monthly three-prescription limit for someone with a monthly prescription limit.
- There is no cost to people enrolled in Medicaid, Title V Prenatal Medical Fee-for-Service Program, CSHCN or HTW.
- People enrolled in CHIP may pay the generic copay, or less, if the cost of the repellent is less than the copay.

How to Get Repellent

- Many pharmacies can provide you mosquito repellent with a valid prescription from your doctor. Contact your pharmacy to make sure they are participating in this benefit. To find your pharmacy's phone number, you can use the online Pharmacy Search at txvendordrug.com. If you are enrolled in managed care, refer to your health plan's website or call the Member Services number on the back of your Member ID card.
- If you are enrolled in the CSHCN services program, contact your health care provider, and ask them to send a prescription to your pharmacy.
- Your provider can send a prescription to your pharmacy via phone, fax, or e-prescription.
- Do not ask for an office visit only to get a prescription for mosquito repellent unless your health care provider requires it.
- Have this prescription filled at your pharmacy.
- If you get services from the Family Planning Program and your health care provider offers this benefit, you can pick up mosquito repellent at a participating Family Planning Program clinic.
- If you receive Title V Fee-for-Services and your health care provider offers this benefit, you can pick up mosquito repellent at a participating Title V Prenatal Medical Fee-for-Service clinic.

More Information

Texas Department of State Health Services

TexasZika.org

TexasZika.org/prevention.htm

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

cdc.gov/zika/

