

# Provider Network News

## ECI and CCP Requirements

Some pediatric patients may fall under the Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) and/or Comprehensive Care Program (CCP).

### ECI

Available to children 35 months of age or younger

PRE-AUTHORIZATION: **NOT REQUIRED**

**Billing:** Include **benefit code "EC1"** and the procedure (CPT/ICD-10) code.

### CCP

Available for members under 20 years old

PRE-AUTHORIZATION: **REQUIRED**

**Billing:** Include **benefit code "CCP"** and the procedure (CPT/ICD-10) code.

### Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) Program

The Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) program is a limited program available to children who are 35 months of age or younger (prior to the child's 3rd birthday) with disabilities or developmental delays or certain medical diagnoses.

See <https://diagsearch.hhsc.state.tx.us/> for more information.

**Billing:** Include benefit code "EC1" and the procedure (CPT/ICD-10) code.

When billing using the ECI benefit you must include the benefit code "EC1" and the procedure (CPT/ICD-10) code. Services which may be included in this benefit are hearing & vision educational services; speech, occupational, & physical therapy; nutrition/dietary; specialized skills training; counseling; and/or assistive technology. Preauthorization is not required for services under this benefit but must be included in the patient's Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP).

### Comprehensive Care Program (CCP) for Children

Comprehensive Care Program for Children is available from birth to age 20 years, allowing benefits/coverage for medically necessary treatment of physical or mental problems, even if the service is not covered under the state's Medicaid plan. This may include services such as speech-language pathology, Private Duty Nursing, some DME, and others.

**Billing:** Include benefit code "CCP" and the procedure (CPT/ICD-10) code.

In billing with this benefit, you must include the benefit code "CCP" with the procedure (CPT/ICD-10) code.

**NOTE** – Preauthorization is required for requests under this benefit. If preauthorization is required and not obtained, a denial for payment will be issued.

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With both ECI and CCP, if the benefit code (EC1 or CCP) is not included, the claim will pay incorrectly or be denied.

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**Resource:** Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual (TMPPM), December 2021, Volumes 1&2.  
If you have additional questions, please contact your PCHP Provider Business Consultant (PBC).

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