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Dear Valued Providers

We want to be a resource to our Premier Health Group Independent providers. We will continue to provide clinical and operational updates as they become available to support the provider community.

In this issue, providers will find an update to the monoclonal antibody therapy.

Please feel free to contact us directly at (937) 499-7441 if you have any questions.

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As we continue to explore ways to keep our COVID-19 hospitalizations manageable through the fall and upcoming winter, one approach that the provider community can utilize is monoclonal antibody therapy. This therapy has been successful in treating eligible individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 and who have not been vaccinated.

For a patient to receive monoclonal antibody therapy, it must be the patient's first positive result for COVID-19 and the patient must also:

- Be at least 12 years old
- Have had onset of COVID-19 symptoms within the past seven days
- Not require oxygen therapy due to COVID-19 or an increase in baseline oxygen flow rate due to COVID-19
- Not received prior dose of monoclonal antibody treatment

You can access the order set [here](#).

All four pages of the order set are required to be filled out. Pages 3 and 4 have the nursing and medication orders, as well as the required provider signature at the bottom of page 4. Once the order is received, the infusion centers work with the patient directly to schedule the therapy. The provider is not contacted unless an order clarification is needed.

You may receive questions from patients about the treatment. It takes 31 minutes for the drug to infuse, and the patient is then monitored for an additional 60 minutes.

As a reminder, effective Oct. 28, 2021, Premier Health began administering bamlanivimab/etesevimab in place of casirivimab/imdevimab (REGEN-COV).

Additional information can be found in the following links:

- Bamlanivimab/etesevimab emergency use authorization: [bamlanivimab/etesevimab EUA](#)
- CDC COVID data tracker / variants: [CDC COVID data tracker](#)