



Ohio Revised Code

Section 5164.072 Coverage of donor breast milk and fortifiers.

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(A) As used in this section, "licensed health professional" means the following:

(1) A physician authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery;

(2) An advanced practice registered nurse who holds a current, valid license issued under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code that authorizes the practice of nursing as an advanced practice registered nurse and is designated as a clinical specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner;

(3) A physician assistant licensed under Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code.

(B) The medicaid program shall cover pasteurized human donor milk and human milk fortifiers, in both hospital and home settings, for an infant whose gestationally corrected age is less than twelve months when all of the following apply:

(1) A licensed health professional signs an order stating that human donor milk or human milk fortifiers are medically necessary because the infant meets any of the following criteria:

(a) The infant has a birth weight less than eighteen hundred grams or body weight below healthy levels.

(b) The infant has a gestational age at birth of thirty-four weeks or less.

(c) The infant has any congenital or acquired condition for which the health professional determines that the use of pasteurized human donor milk or human milk fortifiers will support the treatment of the condition and recovery of the infant.



(2) The infant is medically or physically unable to receive maternal breast milk or participate in breast-feeding, or the infant's mother is medically or physically unable to produce breast milk in sufficient quantities or of adequate caloric density, despite lactation support.

(C) The medicaid director may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to implement this section.
