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Change in Suspect COVID-19 Diagnosis Code

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) has published guidance and advised that suspect COVID-19 diagnoses be submitted with codes Z03.818 or Z20.828 for dates of service through December 31, 2020. Be advised that these diagnoses are not specific to COVID-19 and can be used for multiple viruses.

Effective January 1, 2021, Z20.822 is the new diagnosis code specific to suspect COVID-19. For dates of service beginning March 1, 2021, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus will no longer treat claims submitted with diagnosis codes Z03.818 and Z20.828 as suspect COVID-19 claims. Providers should ensure that claims are submitted with the correct suspect diagnosis code for the date of service.

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or **1-800-262-0820**.