## PROVIDER QUICK POINTS PROVIDER INFORMATION



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## **Enforcement of Inpatient Readmissions Reimbursement Policy for Minnesota Health Care Programs Members**

Effective immediately, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) will be reviewing claims based on the requirements in the Inpatient Readmissions Reimbursement Policy published on the website: <a href="https://provider.publicprograms.bluecrossmn.com/docs/gpp/MNMN\_RP\_Facilities\_InpatientReadmissions.pdf?v=202103022023">https://provider.publicprograms.bluecrossmn.com/docs/gpp/MNMN\_RP\_Facilities\_InpatientReadmissions.pdf?v=202103022023</a>

The Utilization Management (UM) team will identify inpatient stays that meet the above criteria during the precertification process. UM will review and authorize days, however, if the precertification request meets the published criteria, claims will be flagged and reviewed upon submission. Providers may be required to submit a replacement claim of the original stay with the additional dates of service as applicable.

Blue Cross does not allow separate reimbursement for claims that have been identified as a readmission to the same hospital for the same, similar or related condition unless provider, state, federal or CMS contracts and/or requirements indicate otherwise.

## **Products Impacted**

- Families and Children [formerly known as Prepaid Medical Assistance Program (PMAP)]
- MinnesotaCare (MNCare)
- Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)
- SecureBlue (MSHO)

## **Ouestions?**

If you have questions, please contact provider services at 1-866-518-8448.