PROVIDER BULLETIN PROVIDER INFORMATION



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New Reimbursement Policy: Inpatient Non-Reimbursable Unbundling

Effective September 1, 2020, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) will implement a new Reimbursement Policy: Inpatient Non-Reimbursable Unbundling. The policy is available in the provider section of the Blue Cross website located at **providers.bluecrossmn.com**. Go to the section titled, "Tools and Resources" and select "Reimbursement Policies".

This policy defines inpatient services, items and/or supplies that should not be unbundled and/or inappropriately charged.

Blue Cross will request medical records and an itemized bill post-payment for certain inpatient claims reimbursed using a percent of charge payment methodology. Charges found to be billed not in compliance with this policy will be recouped.

Products Impacted

This policy only applies to subscribers who have Commercial and Federal Employee Program (FEP) lines of business.

Coding Requirements Reminder

All coding and reimbursements are subject to changes, updates, or other requirements of coding rules and guidelines. All codes are subject to federal HIPAA rules, and in the case of medical code sets (e.g. HCPCS, CPT, ICD, Revenue), only valid codes for the date of service may be submitted or accepted.

Questions?

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

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