# Bulletin



# Discontinuation of paper remittances – Register with Availity now!

The information in this bulletin replaces Bulletin P35R1-10 entitled "Revision to Discontinuation of paper remittances" that was issued on November 22, 2010.

## Background

Effective December 15, 2009, Minnesota Statute 62J.536 required all health care providers to accept from group purchasers the health care payment and remittance advice transaction (835). The statute further allows the use of web-based technology for complying with the requirements as long as the data content and rules of the Minnesota Uniform Companion guides are followed.

# Change to remittance policy

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, Blue Plus and BlueLink TPA will no longer print or mail any paper remittances beginning February 1, 2012. Printed copies of the remittance will not be available through provider services. Providers must use either the electronic remittance (835) or the Availity web-based Remit Reader to obtain claim payment information.

### How will I see my remittance?

You must register with Availity to receive your remittances electronically or utilize Availity's web-based Remit Reader to access your remittance information.

Registration is free and easy. To utilize either of the Availity options, providers must contact Availity directly at **1-800-282-4548** or go to **Availity.com** to register. A direct link to the registration directions is provided below. Once in the Availity Portal click on 'Payer Resources' in the upper right corner. Click on 'BCBSMN', then click on 'ERA Registration' to access directions to register for BCBSMN Remits.

#### https://apps.availity.com/availity/documents/BCBSMN\_ERA\_Enrollment.pdf

#### **Questions?**

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

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