

Quick Points



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Billing requirements for Platinum BlueSM (Cost)

Providers should bill those professional services indicated on the chart below directly to Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota for services to members of Platinum BlueSM (Cost). All members of this product have ID numbers that have the alpha prefix **XZV**. Many providers are incorrectly billing Medicare for these services. Please verify with your Billing Department that these claims are being submitted correctly. Hospital and other institutional claims should be billed to Medicare. If you have questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or **1-800-262-0820**.

Bill to Medicare as primary	Medicare submission format	Bill to Blue Cross as primary	Blue Cross submission format
Inpatient and outpatient hospital including Acute Care Hospital, Indian Health Service Facility (IHS), Critical Access Hospital, Sole Community Hospital, Rehabilitation Hospital, etc.	Institutional	Physician services rendered in the inpatient hospital setting and separately billed	Professional
Hospital-based surgical center	Institutional	Free-standing ambulatory surgical center (ASC)	Institutional before 7/1/09 or professional after 7/1/09
Inpatient and outpatient blood transfusions	Institutional and/or professional	Physician office visits	Professional
Outpatient hospital radiology and laboratory services	Institutional	Professional behavioral health services including Community Mental Health Centers	Professional
Hospital-based therapy including physical, occupational and speech	Institutional	Chiropractic services	Professional
Individual private practice physical therapy office meeting CMS variance qualifications (effective Jan. 1, 2006: therapy financial limit caps are active with CMS)	Professional	SNF provision of certain prosthetics (PEN therapy) billed to DMERC	Professional
Freestanding clinic/physician group physical, occupational or speech therapy	Professional	Hospice services unrelated to treatment of terminal condition and Medicare eligible	Professional
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	Institutional	Laboratory and X-rays including hospital reference labs	Professional
Hospice services related to treatment of terminal condition	Institutional	Home health agencies (also approved as DME suppliers) billing for supplies and drugs	Professional
ESRD facility (CMS approved dialysis facility). Bills for support services and back-up dialysis and emergency services only (global fee includes some physician services).	Institutional and/or professional	Durable Medical Equipment (DME), prosthetics, orthotics and medical supplies	Professional
Home health agencies	Institutional	Ambulance	Professional
Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) [both independent and provider based]	Institutional		
Rural Health Clinic (RHC) [both independent and provider based]	Institutional		
Hospital-based ambulance	Institutional		

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