

QUICK POINTS

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus

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Changes for personal care assistant services for Minnesota Health Care Programs

This notification is to inform you of changes in billing requirements for personal care assistant (PCA) services and changes in the the procedures for individual PCA enrollment. The changes only apply to members that are enrolled in a Minnesota Health Care Program.

Minnesota Health Care Programs

Group numbers for members that have coverage with Minnesota Health Care Programs are as follows:

Product name	Group numbers
Blue Advantage (PMAP)	PP011, PP012, PP014, PP015, PP016, PP017, PP021, PP022, PP024, PP025, PP026, PP027, PP031, PP032, PP034, PP035, PP036, PP037
MinnesotaCare Expanded	PP111, PP112, PP151, PP152
Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)	PP055, PP056, PP057, PP061, PP062, PP064, PP071, PP072, PP074, PP075, PP076, PP077
SecureBlue	All group numbers that begin with PP2

Change in billing requirements

For dates of service on or after March 1, 2009, claims for PCA services must be submitted to Blue Plus using one date of service per claim line. Any claim lines that are submitted with more than one date of service will be denied for improper format. All claim lines should have an individual PCA associated with the service.

Change in individual PCA enrollment

Effective March 1, 2009, individual PCA enrollment forms submitted with incomplete information will be sent back to the provider unprocessed along with a letter requesting the missing information. Upon receipt of a complete form, the form will be processed and, if appropriate, the individual will be affiliated with the agency. Blue Cross will require individuals to submit their assigned UMPI number on the enrollment form. Blue Cross will no longer enroll an individual PCA that submits a copy of the completed background study in lieu of an UMPI number.

Questions?

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

