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EquiClaim to Perform Focused and Limited Hospital Bill Validation Services

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) has engaged EquiClaim, a Change Healthcare company (EQC CHC) to perform focused and limited Hospital Bill Validation Services (HBV).

HBV reviews are site of service focused reviews where RN's verify the accuracy of the site of service billed for specific claims. EQC CHC currently conducts audit services of DRG claims for coding accuracy and Hospital Charge Audit reviews on behalf of the plan. EQC CHC will utilize Blue Cross's post-payment provider claim data to perform the HBV reviews and in some cases they will request medical records from providers in order to complete the reviews.

Identified HBV claims have a high potential for overpayment based on the level of care acuity, documented clinical information, severity of illness and intensity of service provided. HBV Services are focused on short day lengths of stay of zero to one day (0, 1) maximum.

HBV reviews use InterQual® as the screening criteria set identified by Blue Cross as the evidenced-based criteria utilized by the Provider and Plan.

HBV reviews are anticipated to commence November 6, 2017.

Questions?

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