

PROVIDER BULLETIN

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FQHC/RHC Clinics Providing Interpreter Services for MHCP Subscribers

As previously communicated in Provider Bulletin P15-17, Medical and Behavioral Health Clinics are responsible to schedule and bill for interpreter services provided within their clinic for Blue Plus Minnesota Health Care Program (MHCP) subscribers. Upon further instruction from the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS), this also includes Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC's) and Rural Health Clinic (RHC's). Per DHS requirements this is effective July 1, 2017. Providers are expected to establish relationships with individual interpreters or interpreter agencies and bill for services provided in the clinic. All interpreters must be registered and rostered on the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) website. These relationships are independent of any agreement with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus and strictly between the clinic and interpreter (or agency).

Interpreter services must be billed by the medical clinic and provided in association with a covered service. Services must be billed on an individual claim line on the 837P transaction using procedure code T1013 in 15 minute increments. At least 8 minutes of interpreter services must be used in order to bill one unit of service. Affiliate the supervising provider to the individual claim line for interpreter services.

Products Impacted:

- Prepaid Medical Assistance Program (PMAP)
- Minnesota Care
- SecureBlue (HMO SNP)
- Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or **1-800-292-0820**.