## PROVIDER BULLETIN PROVIDER INFORMATION



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## **Unbundling Audits for Minnesota Health Care Programs Claims**

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) will begin performing audits of hospital inpatient claims submitted for Minnesota Health Care Programs subscribers beginning on September 1, 2024.

Facility billing guidelines require providers to bill revenue codes to describe services provided. Revenue codes do not describe exact items, supplies and services provided during an inpatient hospitalization. Blue Cross may conduct a post payment audit of an itemized bill and associated medical records to verify that services are not unbundled, fragmented, or otherwise duplicative of charges billed for the same patient on the same day.

Blue Cross may request medical records and an itemized bill post-payment for certain inpatient claims reimbursed using a percent of charge payment methodology. Charges identified that are not in compliance with this policy will be recouped.

Additional information regarding the audits can be found in Chapter 11 of the Provider Policy and Procedure Manual: BCBSMN Provider Policy & Procedure Manual (bluecrossmn.com)

## **Products Impacted**

- Families and Children
- MinnesotaCare

## **Questions?**

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