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Change Log

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Change Control Number	Number present in the text box located on the left margin where the content change was updated.
Date Change to the Manual	Date the change was physically made to the manual. This date is also included in the text box located on the left margin where the content change was updated.
Effective Date	Date the change goes into effect. This date may represent a retroactive, current or future date.
Sub-Section/Page	Section number(s)/page number(s) to which the change(s) are made. If page change is not applicable “no pagination change” is stated.
Change Description	Description of the change(s).
Reason	A brief explanation for the change(s). If the reason is an administrative rule change, the rule number is added to the column.
Related Communication	References any correspondence that relates to the change (ex: Bulletin, Provider Notice, Control Memo, etc.).

Date Change to Manual	Effective Date	Sub-Section / Page	Change Description	Reason	Related Communication
12/2017	1/1/2018		Rebrand Document	Remove actual name of fiscal agent; replace with “fiscal agent”	

1. NH Medicaid Provider Billing Manuals Overview

New Hampshire (NH) Medicaid Provider Billing Manuals include two volumes which must be used in conjunction with each other. Policies and requirements detailed in these manuals are established by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), also referred to as the Department.

It is critical that the provider and the provider's staff be familiar with, and comply with, all information contained in the General Billing Manual – Volume I, and this Provider Specific Billing Manual – Volume II.

- **The General Billing Manual – Volume I:** Applies to every enrolled NH Medicaid provider (hereinafter referred to as the provider) who submits bills to NH Medicaid for payment. It includes *general policies and procedures* applicable to the NH Medicaid Program such as provider responsibilities, verification of member eligibility, covered and non-covered services, service authorizations, medical necessity, third party liability, surveillance and utilization review/program integrity, access to fee schedules, claims processing, and obtaining reimbursement for providing services. This manual also includes general information on how to enroll as a NH Medicaid provider. The Appendices section encompasses a wide range of supplemental materials such as Fee Schedules, Contact Information, Provider Type List, Sample Forms and Instructions, as well as other general information.
- **The Provider Specific Billing Manual – Volume II:** Specific to a provider type and designed to guide the provider through *specific policies applicable to the provider type*.

Intended Audience

The General Billing Manual - Volume I, and the Provider Specific Billing Manual – Volume II, are designed for health care providers, their staff, and provider-designated billing agents.

These manuals are *not* designed for use by NH Medicaid members (hereinafter referred to as members).

Provider Accountability

Participating providers should maintain both billing manuals, make them available to their staff and authorized billing agents, and be aware of all policies and procedures, as well as any changes to policies and procedures, that relate directly or indirectly to the provision of services and the billing of services for members.

Document Disclaimer/Policy Interpretation

It is our intention that the provider billing manuals, as well as the information furnished to providers by the staff of the Department's fiscal agent, be accurate and timely. However, in the event of inconsistencies between the fiscal agent and the Department regarding policy interpretation, the Department's interpretation of the policy language in question will control and govern.

Notifications & Updates

Providers are notified of NH Medicaid program changes and any other changes applicable to participating providers through several types of media including provider bulletins, provider notices, memos, letters, web site updates, newsletters and/or updated pages to the General Billing Manual – Volume I and/or the Provider Specific Billing Manual – Volume II. It is important that providers share these documents with their service providers, billing agents and staff.

Billing Manual updates are distributed jointly by the Department and the fiscal agent. Participating providers receive notification of manual updates through a message sent to each provider's message center inbox via the web.

Description of Change Log

All changes made to this manual are under change control management and are approved by the Department and/or its associated organizations. The change log is located at the front of this document.

Contacts for Billing Manual Inquiries

Billing manual inquiries may be directed to the fiscal agent's Provider Relations Unit (refer to the General Billing Manual – Volume I, Appendices Section, for all Contact Information).

Questions relating to policy issues outlined in this manual may be directed to the fiscal agent's Provider Relations Unit for referral to the appropriate Department contact.

2. Provider Participation & Ongoing Responsibilities

For the purpose of this manual, the term Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) refers to any distinct entity that operates exclusively for the purpose of providing surgical services to patients not requiring hospitalization and in which the expected duration of services would not exceed 24 hours following an admission, as defined in 42 CFR 416.2.

ASC services means the combined facility services and covered ancillary services that are furnished in an ASC in connection with covered surgical procedures, as defined in 42 CFR 416.2.

All participating ASC service providers must:

- Be licensed in accordance with He-P 812, or if outside of New Hampshire, by the state in which they practice;
- Be an enrolled NH Medicaid provider; and
- Adhere to all requirements detailed in this manual and the General Billing Manual - Volume I and He-P 812.

3. Covered Services & Requirements

Covered ASC services are surgical procedures that are separately paid under the MMIS payment system, that would not be expected to pose a significant safety risk to a patient when performed in an ASC, and for which standard medical practice dictates that the patient would not typically be expected to require active medical monitoring and care at midnight following the procedure.

Covered surgical procedures do not include those surgical procedures that:

- Generally result in extensive blood loss;
- Require major or prolonged invasion of body cavities;
- Directly involve major blood vessels;
- Are generally emergent or life threatening in nature;
- Commonly require systemic thrombolytic therapy;
- Are designated as requiring inpatient care under 42 CFR 419.22(n);
- Can only be reported using a CPT unlisted surgical procedure code; or
- Are otherwise excluded under 411.15.

NH Medicaid provides a single payment to ASCs for covered surgical procedures, which includes ASC facility services that are furnished in connection with the covered procedure including the following:

- Nursing services, services furnished by technical personnel, and other related services;
- Patient use of the ASC facility where the surgical procedure is performed;
- Any laboratory testing performed under a Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) certificate of waiver;
- Drugs and biological, for which separate payment is not allowed under the MMIS payment system,
- Surgical dressings, supplies, splints, casts, appliances, and equipment;
- Administrative, recordkeeping, and housekeeping items and services;
- Blood, blood plasma, and platelets, with the exception of those to which the blood deductible applies;
- Materials, including supplies and equipment for the administration and monitoring of anesthesia;
- Supervision of the services of an anesthesiologist by the operating surgeon;
- Implantable devices and related accessories and supplies, with the exception of those devices with pass-through status under the MMIS payments system; and
- Radiology services for which payment is packaged under the payment system.

NH Medicaid also pays ASCs separately for covered ancillary services that are integral to a covered surgical procedure billed by the ASC, specifically certain services that are furnished immediately before, during, or immediately after the covered surgical procedure. Covered ancillary services include:

- Brachytherapy sources;
- Certain implantable items that have pass-through status under the MMIS payment system;
- Certain drugs and biological, for which separate payment is allowed;
- Certain radiology service for which separate payment is allowed;

- Implantable devices with payment system pass-through status; and
- Corneal tissue acquisition.

Certain services may be furnished in the ASC and billed by the appropriate NH Medicaid provider or supplier.

Some providers perform simple diagnostic tests just before surgery, e.g., urinalysis and blood hemoglobin or hematocrit. To the extent that such simple tests are provided by the hospital and the charges are included in the operating room or comparable revenue center, they are included in the definition of outpatient hospital facility services.

All non-physician medical and other health services furnished by the ASC that do not meet the definition of facility services are paid for in accordance with Section 1833(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (SSA) based on reasonable charges except for clinical diagnostic laboratory test which are paid based on a fee schedule.

Authorization requirements, coverage criteria (age, diagnostic, client eligibility, etc.), limitations, and related forms may be found in the appropriate program publications.

To receive service authorization for a service to be performed in an ASC, a provider must send or fax a request for authorization along with medical justification to the Department's designated service authorization agent. Please refer to the Service Authorizations section below for additional details.

Service Limits

Service limits are not applicable for the ASC facility fee, which is a one-time fee per day per visit performed at the facility.

4. Non-Covered Services

The following services are not included in the facility payment:

- Physician's professional services, including surgical procedures and all preoperative and postoperative services that are performed by a physician;
- Anesthetists' services;
- Radiology services; other than those integral to performance of a covered surgical procedure;
- Diagnostic procedures, other than those directly related to performance of a covered surgical procedure;
- The sale, lease or rental of durable medical equipment to clients for use in their homes;
- Prosthetic devices (e.g., intraocular lens¹);
- Ambulance or other transportation services;
- Leg, arm, back and neck braces, other than those that serve the function of a cast or splint;
- Artificial limbs and eyes;
- Non-implantable prosthetic devices and DME; and
- Implantable devices.

In addition the following procedures are not covered under ASC services:

- Minor surgical procedures that do not require regional or general anesthesia operating room services and are not classified by Medicare in ASC groups 1 through 9. Examples include: suturing of simple lacerations, simple incision and drainage of abscesses, manipulative reduction of simple digital fractures/dislocations with or without digital blocks.
- Surgery that requires authorization when authorization is not obtained;
- Female sterilization when Federal sterilization (Form 1146) requirements have not been met;
- Experimental and investigative surgical procedures and surgical procedures of un-proven benefit;
- Surgical procedures for which an inpatient hospital admission is medically indicated;
- Surgical procedures not designated by Medicare in ASC Groups 1 through 9; and
- Surgical procedures not covered by the Medicaid Program. Examples include: cosmetic surgery such as face-lifts, cosmetic breast augmentation, rhinoplasties.

¹ Furnishing Intraocular lenses (IOLs) is an ASC facility service that Medicaid covers separately in the Ambulatory Surgical Center Program.

5. Service Authorizations

A service authorization (SA), also known as a prior authorization (PA), is an advance request for authorization of payment for a specific item or service.

The Department will review the service authorization request. The Contact information in the Appendices or on applicable SA forms should be consulted for the name and method of contact.

Generally, there are two primary elements to ASC services—the physician’s professional services for performing the procedure and the services furnished by the facility where the procedure is performed (for example, surgical supplies and equipment and nursing services). This manual is with regard to billing the latter - the costs associated with the use of the facility.

There are no SA requirements for the use of the ASC facility. However, SA requirements may be required for the physician’s professional services performed at the ASC. The Medicaid fee schedule includes an indication of which of these services require a SA. Instructions regarding SA’s for professional services can be found in the applicable provider specific billing manuals.

6. Documentation

The ASC provider must maintain supporting documentation for each service for which a claim has been submitted to NH Medicaid for reimbursement. See the “Record Keeping” section of the General Billing Manual – Volume I, and He-P 812.19 for documentation requirements.

Providers must maintain clinical records to support claims submitted for reimbursement for a period of at least six years from the date of service or until resolution of any legal action(s) commenced in the six year period, whichever is longer.

Clinical records must:

- Be legible and include records supporting the specific request;
- Be signed by the performing provider;
- Include clinical, outpatient and/or emergency room records for dates of service in chronological order;
- Include related diabetic and blood pressure flow sheets;
- Include current medication list for date of service;
- Include obstetrical record related to current pregnancy when applicable; and
- Include clinical indication for laboratory and x-ray services ordered with a copy of orders for laboratory and x-ray services signed by the physician

Laboratory and radiology reports must include:

- Clinical indication for laboratory and x-ray services ordered;
- Signed orders for laboratory and radiology services;
- Results signed by the performing provider; and
- Current and all previous ultrasound reports, including biophysical profiles and fetal non-stress tests when applicable.

7. Surveillance and Utilization Review (SURS) - Program Integrity

The purpose of a Medicaid Surveillance and Utilization Review (SURS) program which, in NH, is administered by the Department's Program Integrity Unit is to perform utilization review activities to identify, prevent, detect, and correct potential occurrences of fraud, waste and abuse. These utilization review activities are required and carried out in accordance with Federal regulations at 42 CFR 455 and 42 CFR 456, and they are done to ensure that accurate and proper reimbursement has been made for care, services and/or supplies that have been provided to a member, and for which a provider has received payment.

Utilization review activities may be conducted prior to payment, following payment, or both. These activities include, but are not limited to, conducting provider reviews. These reviews may be selected at random, generated from member complaints, other providers, anonymous calls, or from the SURS reporting system.

There are various outcomes that may result from Program Integrity review activities. They include, but are not limited to:

- Recovery of erroneous and improper provider payments
- Provider education regarding appropriate documentation to support the submission and payment of claims
- Ensuring that the provider has developed a corrective action plan based on the findings of the review. This includes conducting follow-up reviews to verify that the provider is complying with the corrective action plan, and continues to provide and bill for services provided to members, in accordance with the rules and regulations governing the NH Medicaid Program
- Potential referral to appropriate legal authorities – including the NH Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) and the Federal Office of Inspector General (OIG)
- Potential termination from the NH Medicaid Program
- Other administrative actions

If a provider is found to have abused the NH Medicaid Program requirements, the provider may be restricted, through suspension or otherwise, from participating in the NH Medicaid Program for a reasonable period of time. In addition, the provider may also have their claims placed on a prepayment pend or hold status for additional review by the Program Integrity Unit.

For additional information regarding utilization review, please refer to the SURS – Program Integrity section of the General Billing Manual – Volume 1.

8. Adverse Actions

An adverse action may be taken by the Department due to a provider's non-compliance with Federal regulations, State laws, Department rules, policies or procedures. Refer to the "Adverse Actions" section of the General Billing Manual – Volume I – regarding the types of adverse actions the Department is authorized to take against non-compliant providers.

9. Medicare/Third Party Coverage

Under federal law, the Medicaid Program is the *payer of last resort*. All third party obligations must be exhausted before claims can be submitted to the fiscal agent in accordance with 42 CFR 433.139, except for Medicaid only services and claims for prenatal care of pregnant women or claims for preventive pediatric services, including EPSDT (this includes dental and orthodontic services in New Hampshire). Additional information on exclusions is outlined in this section or in the General Billing Manual – Volume 1. Providers who receive payment in full from a third party are not required to file zero-payment claims with the NH Medicaid Program.

A provider must first submit a claim to the third party within the third party's time limitations. If a third party or primary insurance plan does not pay at or in excess of the applicable NH Medicaid reimbursement level, a provider may submit a claim to NH Medicaid which is processed based on the applicable reimbursement rate minus any payment received from all other resources. Commercial health insurance coverage often provides a higher payment than does NH Medicaid.

When a third party denies a claim, for any reason, a copy of the notice of denial from the third party **must be included** behind the claim submitted to NH Medicaid. When Medicare denies a claim, a copy of the Explanation of Medicare Benefits must be attached behind the claim that is submitted. For claims not submitted on paper, the Medicare or third-party denial is considered a claim attachment.

Detailed Medicare/Third Party Liability (TPL) information is found in the General Billing Manual, including handling discrepancies in TPL resource information, correcting erroneous TPL information, and exceptions to third party filing requirements.

When a member is also covered by Medicare, the provider must bill Medicare for all services before billing the NH Medicaid. The provider must accept assignment of Medicare benefits in order for the claim to "cross over" to NH Medicaid. The crossover process works only for Medicare approved services; Medicare denied services and Medicare non-covered services are addressed in this section. NH Medicaid pays crossover claims only if the service is covered by NH Medicaid.

Certain services that are not covered by Medicare may be covered by NH Medicaid for dually eligible members. Services identified in the Medicare manual and HCPCS coding manuals as non-covered by Medicare may be billed directly to NH Medicaid who will determine whether or not the service is covered and can be reimbursed by NH Medicaid.

This does not apply to QMB-Only members whose benefits are limited to the Medicare premiums and payment toward the Medicare deductible and coinsurance. Therefore, if Medicare does not cover the service, there is no NH Medicaid payment available for QMB members.

Detailed Medicare/Third Party Coverage guidelines are found in the General Billing Manual – Volume I.

10. Payment Policies

Generally, there are two primary elements in the total cost of performing a surgical procedure—the cost of the physician’s professional services for performing the procedure and the cost of services furnished by the facility where the procedure is performed (for example, surgical supplies and equipment and nursing services). This manual is with regard to billing the latter—the costs associated with the use of the facility.

When billing for ASC services, ASC providers must use the code sets mandated by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). HIPAA requires that all local codes be replaced with national standard procedure codes from either the Level 1 Common Procedure Terminology (CPT) or Level II of the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS).

Medicaid pays ASC a facility fee of \$225.80 to \$495.00 per surgery, depending on the level of service. NH Medicaid Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 correspond to the first four Medicare groups for such services. Medicaid Level 5 is for anything falling in the Medicare groups 5-8.

Payments to ASCs for covered ASC procedures are made on the basis of prospectively set rates known as the standard overhead amount, as provided in regulations at 42 CFR 416.125. The ASC facility services covered by the standard overhead amounts are generally described in 42 CFR 416.61 and 424 of the *Hospital Manual*. Covered ASC procedures are classified into four standard overhead amounts or payment groups. The rates applicable to the payment groups are as follows:

- Group 1 Procedures \$225.80
- Group 2 Procedures \$306.00
- Group 3 Procedures \$351.00
- Group 4 Procedures \$432.00
- Group 5 Procedures \$495.00

Medicaid has established a maximum allowable fee for each surgical group. The maximum allowable fees are global fees that include all of the covered ASC facility services. Reimbursement is the lesser of the billed charge or the maximum allowable fee for the applicable surgical group.

Lab, X-ray and machine tests that are not directly related to the surgery are covered separately.

Claims for surgical procedures that have not been assigned to a surgical group are reviewed and manually priced by the Department or the Department’s fiscal agent.

When multiple surgical procedures are performed on the same date of service, all charges except lab, x-ray and machine tests must be billed using the most complex applicable procedure code.

For providers performing multiple surgical procedures in a single operative session, the Department reimburses the lesser of the billed amounts, or up to 100 percent of the Department’s maximum allowable for the procedure with the highest group number. For the second procedure, reimbursement is the lesser of the billed amount or up to 50 percent of the Department’s maximum allowable, and each additional procedure will be paid at 25% of the Medicaid allowed amount.

11. Claims

All providers participating in the NH Medicaid Program must submit claims to the fiscal agent in accordance with NH Medicaid guidelines. Providers should note that NH Medicaid claim completion requirements may be different than those for other payers, previous fiscal agents, or fiscal agents in other states.

Providers participating in NH Medicaid are responsible for timely and accurate billing. If NH Medicaid does not pay due to billing practices of the provider which result in non-payment, the provider cannot bill the member.

Claim completion guidelines in this manual should be followed for instructions on specific fields. The NH Specific Companion Guide, which can be found at www.nhmmis.nh.gov (see provider manuals under the provider tab), should be used for electronic claim filing instructions. While field-by-field requirements are shown for paper claims; the same required data is captured through web portal claim entry and through electronic submissions to EDI. Web portal submissions feature step-by-step claim completion instructions as well as tools such as Online Help to assist providers in correct claim completion.

Regardless of the method claims are submitted, information submitted on the claim by the provider represents a legal document. Neither the fiscal agent nor State staff can alter any data on a submitted claim.

The following claim-related topics are found in the General Billing Manual – Volume I:

- Claims Submission via EDI, web portal, paper
- Claims processing – edits & audits, transaction control numbers, line item vs. header processing, claim status, remark/EOB codes
- Claim Resubmission
- Claim adjustments and voids
- Medicare cross-overs
- Claims payment
- Remittance Advice

Providers will be notified of payment or denial via a Remittance Advice, usually received in electronic format or via the web portal.

Denied claims should be resubmitted only if the reason for the denial has been corrected.

Paid claims cannot be resubmitted; resubmission of a paid claim will result in a denial as a duplicate. Paid claim corrections must be made through the adjustment process. If a paid claim has a line item denial, the individual line charge can be resubmitted.

Corrected claims and denied line items can be resubmitted only if the denial was due to erroneous, updated or missing information which is now corrected. Providers should never resubmit claims that are currently in process (suspended).

Any claim denied for failure to be submitted or resubmitted in accordance with timely filing standards will not be paid. Denied claims that have been corrected must be resubmitted as a new claims transaction on paper, via the web portal, or electronically via EDI.

Timely Filing

In accordance with federal and state requirements, all providers must submit all initial claims within one year following the earliest date of service on the claim.

Except as noted below, NH Medicaid will **not** pay claims that are **not** submitted within the one-year time frame.

Claims that are beyond the one-year filing limit, that have previously been submitted and denied, must be resubmitted on paper, along with Form 957x, "Override Request" located on the NH MMIS Health Enterprise Portal web site at www.nhmmis.nh.gov. A copy of the RA with the original billing date and the denial circled must also be attached. This resubmission **must** be received **within 15 months** of the date of service. If this time frame is not met, the claim will be denied.

The only other circumstance eligible for consideration under the one-year override process is for claims for NH Medicaid covered services for members whose NH Medicaid eligibility determination was delayed. The claim should be submitted as detailed above.

Diagnostic & Procedure Codes

All NH Medicaid services must be billed using the appropriate industry-standard diagnosis and procedure codes. One procedure code must be provided for each charge billed.

For medical services, the NH Medicaid Program requires the use of Health Care Financing Administration Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes and modifiers.

The most current version of the ICD-CM diagnosis code series should be utilized. Claims without the required diagnosis or procedure codes will be denied.

Coding for ASC Services

Free standing ASCs:

- Claims for procedures classified in ASC groups 1 through 9 by Medicare must be submitted on CMS (formerly HCFA) 1500 claim forms.
- Procedures must be coded with the most appropriate CPT-4 procedure code. Allowable prosthetic devices such as intraocular lenses and cochlear implants must be coded with appropriate HCPCS codes.

Hospital based ASCs and outpatient hospital surgery:

- Claims for ASC or outpatient hospital services are submitted on UB-04 claim forms.

- Revenue Codes 49X or 36X should be used for procedures that have been assigned to ASC payment groups 1 through 9 by Medicare. The CPT-4 code that best describes the procedure is required and must be entered in form locator (FL) block 44.
- Revenue Code 0929 should be used for outpatient procedures that are not recognized by Medicare as an ASC service but were provided under general anesthesia and required a recovery room stay may be billed with revenue code 0929. Claims billed with revenue code 0929 will be reviewed. CPT codes in the range 10000 to 69999 must be included on the 0929 claim line.

Although Medicare allows payment to ASC for certain surgical procedures not in ASC groups 1 through 9, for payment purposes, Medicaid acknowledges only ASC Groups 1, 2, 3, and 4. Payments for Medicare ASC groups 5 and above are paid at the ASC group 4 rates.

Multiple codes:

If more than one (1) CPT-4 code is listed, the following guidelines are followed:

- If one (1) CPT-4 code is designated by Medicare in ASC Groups 1 through 9, and the other(s) is/are not, payment at the appropriate Medicare-covered ASC group of the code will be extended.
- If two (2) or more CPT codes are in Medicare ASC groups 1 through 9, but the procedures are related, one payment is extended for the ASC Group listed first on the claim. Example: esophagoscopy for diagnosis with biopsy, esophago-scopy with removal of polyp(s) by hot biopsy forceps/cautery, esophagoscopy with removal of polyp(s) by snare technique.
- If two (2) or more CPT codes are in Medicare ASC groups 1 through 9, and the procedures are not directly related, payment for the first surgical procedure listed on the claim is extended at 100% of Medicaid's payment rate for the ASC group and at 50% of Medicaid's payment rate(s) for the other procedure(s).

Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) provided during surgical procedures performed in the ASC are not separately reimbursable unless the items are not part of the ASC group rate. Examples of items not included in the ASC group rate are intra-ocular and cochlear implants.

Required Claim Attachments

All attachments must be submitted in hardcopy or via fax. Providers that submit claims on paper claims should have the claim attachment stapled behind the claim form. Providers that submit claims electronically or via the NH MMIS Health Enterprise Portal must first submit the claim and obtain a Transaction Control Number (TCN) for the line requiring the attachment. Attachments in hard-copy format must then be sent to the fiscal agent with a cover sheet identifying the TCN for the claim. Failure to provide the TCN on the submitted attachments could result in claim denial due to missing or incomplete information.

When submitting a claim via the NH MMIS Health Enterprise Portal, providers must indicate in the claim form if there is an attachment to support the claim. Providers should answer yes to the question “Does this claim have attachments?” and click “Add Attachment” **Note:** Please select Delivery Method “by Mail” or “by Fax” to submit attachments.

Type Attachment	Delivery Method	Attachment Control #
No Data		

Following claim submission a confirmation page will generate. Please print the confirmation page and submit it as a cover page with the claim attachments. If you are unable to print the confirmation page please write the 17 digit TCN on the attachment.

- **Please mail claim attachments to:**
NH Medicaid Claims Unit
PO Box 2003
Concord, NH 03302
- **Please fax claim attachments to:**
(888) 495-8169

If you are submitting EDI claims, paper attachments to Electronic 837P claims are indicated in the 2300 PWK segment, the 2400 PWK segment, or both. The hard copy attachment is submitted via fax or on paper and linked to the related claim by means of an Attachment ID (your TCN).

Examples of , but not inclusive of, when a claim attachment is required are when another insurer is primary and has denied coverage for the service or a 957x form is required because the filing limit was not met.

Claims Completion Requirements for ASC Services

Ambulatory Surgical Center services can be submitted on either a CMS1500 paper form or the UB04 depending on whether the center is free-standing or hospital based. The electronic versions are 837P or 837I.

Paper claims are imaged and will then go through the OCR process as the first steps in claim processing and payment. You can prevent delays to your anticipated payment date by following these suggestions:

1. DO NOT submit laser printed red claim forms.
2. DO NOT use highlighters on any claim form(s) or adjustments(s). Highlighted area show up as black lines, just as they do when highlighted forms are photocopied or faxed.
3. DO submit only RED UB-04 or HCFA claims forms. Fixed claims or claim copies will not be accepted.
4. DO use typewritten (BLOCK lettering) print when filling out claim forms; handwritten or script claims can cause delays and errors in processing.
5. DO ensure that your printers are properly aligned, and that your print is dark and legible, if you are using a printer to create claim forms.
6. DO use only black or blue ink on ALL claims or adjustment that you submit to the fiscal agent. The fiscal agent imaging/OCR system reads black and blue ink.
7. DO make all appropriate corrections prior to re-submitting the claim(s) or adjustment(s).
8. DO call the NH Medicaid Provider Relations Unit at (603) 223-4774 or 1 (866) 291-1674 if you have questions.

The CMS1500 form must be both signed and dated, on or after the last date of service on the claim, in box 31. Acceptable forms of signature are an actual signature, signature stamp, typed provider name or signature on file.

Please note the person authorized by the provider or company who is allowed to sign the form is based on the company's own policy for authorized signers.

Paper claims and other documents can be mailed to:

NH Medicaid Claims Unit
PO Box 2003
Concord, NH 03302-2003

Once your claim is processed you will receive a claim number or transaction control number (TCN). This is a 17 digit number.

Example: 13091831230000050 *Breakdown:* 13091 8 3123 000005 0

The format is: YYDDD M BBBB NNNNNN T, where

- YYDDD is the Julian date when the batch was created.
- M is the media source, such as 1-web, 2-Elec Xover, 3-EMC, 4-System Generated, 5-Encounter, 7-OCR and 8-Paper.
- BBBB is the batch number.
- NNNNNN is the document number.
- T is the transaction type.

NH Medicaid requires the submission of a carrier code to identify other insurance coverage. A carrier code is a ten (10) digit code created by New Hampshire which identifies who the primary insurance carrier is. It is used in place of the insurance carrier name to streamline the claims processing. This code is used in the appropriate field on a claim, for:

- CMS-1500 (or professional claim), it is box 9D.
- UB-04 (or institutional claim), it is Locator box 50.

For example: One of the most common used is Medicare Part D carrier ID: 0000008888.

The list of Carrier IDs for other insurance companies can be accessed on nhmmis.nh.gov Web Site

- On the Documentation menu, click Documents & Forms.
- On the Documents & Forms page, click the Carrier ID link
- To print a copy, right click and select Print to your local printer.

If the insurance company is not listed, contact the Third Party Liability Call Center at (603) 223-4774 or 1 (866) 291-1674 for the correct code to use.

CMS-1500 Claim Form Instructions

CMS-1500 Claim Form Instructions

Item #	Description	Instructions
1		Required -Indicate NH Medicaid coverage by placing an X in the appropriate box. Only one box can be marked.
1A	Insured's ID Number	Required - Enter the NH Medicaid ID number (11 characters) shown on the ID card.
2	Patient's Name	Required - Enter the patient's full last name, first name, and middle initial. If the patient uses a last name suffix (e.g., Jr, Sr), enter it after the last name and before the first name. Titles (e.g., Sister, Capt, Dr) and professional suffixes (e.g., PhD, MD, Esq) should not be included with the name.
3	Patient's Birth Date, Sex	Required -Enter the patient's 8-digit birth date (MM DD YYYY). Enter an X in the correct box to indicate sex (gender) of the patient. Only one box can be marked. If sex is unknown, leave blank.
4	Insured's Name	Optional - Enter the insured's full last name, first name, and middle initial. If the insured uses a last name suffix (e.g., Jr, Sr), enter it after the last name and before the first name. Titles (e.g., Sister, Capt, Dr) and professional suffixes (e.g., PhD, MD, Esq) should not be included with the name.

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5	Patient's Address (Multiple Fields)	Optional- Enter the patient's permanent residence address. The first line is for the street address; the second line, the city and state; the third line, the ZIP code. A temporary address or school address should not be used.
6	Patient Relationship to Insured	N/A
7	Insured's Address (multiple fields)	Situational - Enter the insured's address. If Item Number 4 is completed, then this field should be completed. The first line is for the street address; the second line, the city and state; the third line, the ZIP code.
8	Reserved for NUCC Use	N/A- This field was previously used to report "Patient Status." "Patient Status" does not exist in 5010A1, so this field has been eliminated.
9	Other Insured's Name	Situational - If Item Number 11d is marked, complete fields 9, 9a, and 9d, otherwise leave blank. When additional group health coverage exists, enter other insured's full last name, first name, and middle initial of the enrollee in another health plan if it is different from that shown in Item Number 2. If the insured uses a last name suffix (e.g., Jr, Sr), enter it after the last name and before the first name. Titles (e.g., Sister, Capt, Dr) and professional suffixes (e.g., PhD, MD, Esq) should not be included with the name.
9A	Other Insured's Policy or Group Number	Situational – The "Other Insured's Policy or Group Number" identifies the policy or group number for coverage of the insured as indicated in Item Number 9. This field allows for the entry of 28 characters, alpha or numeric
9B	Reserved for NUCC Use	N/A -This field was previously used to report "Other Insured's Date of Birth, Sex." "Other Insured's Date of Birth, Sex" does not exist in 5010A1, so this field has been eliminated.
9C.	Reserved for NUCC Use	N/A -This field was previously used to report "Employer's Name or School Name." "Employer's Name or School Name" does not exist in 5010A1, so this field has been eliminated.
9D	Insurance Plan Name or Program Name	Required - If other insurance and 11D= yes enter the NH Medicaid specific 10-digit carrier code Codes can be located on the NH MMIS Health Enterprise Portal under documents section This field allows for the entry of 28 characters.

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10A-C	Is Patient's Condition Related To?	<p>Required-When appropriate, enter an X in the correct box to indicate whether one or more of the services described in Item Number 24 are for a condition or injury that occurred on the job or as a result of an automobile or other accident. Only one box on each line can be marked.</p> <p>The state postal code where the accident occurred must be reported if “YES” is marked in 10b for “Auto Accident.” Any item marked “YES” indicates there may be other applicable insurance coverage that would be primary, such as automobile liability insurance. Primary insurance information must then be shown in Item Number 11.</p>
10D	Claim Codes (Designated by NUCC)	<p>N/A -When applicable, use to report appropriate claim codes. Applicable claim codes are designated by the NUCC. Please refer to the most current instructions from the public or private payer regarding the need to report claim codes.</p>
11	Insured’s Policy, Group or FECA Number	<p>Situational - Enter the insured’s policy or group number as it appears on the insured’s NH Medicaid identification card. If Item Number 4 is completed, then this field should be completed.</p>
11A	Insured’s Date of Birth, Sex	<p>Optional -Enter the 8-digit date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY) of the insured and an X to indicate the sex (gender) of the insured. Only one box can be marked. If gender is unknown, leave blank.</p>
11B	Other Claim ID (Designated by NUCC)	<p>N/A</p>
11C	Insurance Plan or Program Name	<p>N/A</p>
11D.	Is There Another Health Benefit Plan?	<p>Situational- Enter an X in the correct box. If marked “YES”, complete 9, 9a, and 9d. Only one box can be marked.</p>
12	Patient's or Authorized Person's Signature	<p>N/A</p>
13	Insured's or Authorized Person's Signature	<p>N/A</p>
14	Date of Current Illness, Injury, Pregnancy	<p>Situational – Enter the 6-digit (MM/DD/YY) or 8-digit (MM/DD/YYYY) date of the first date of the present illness, injury, or pregnancy. For pregnancy, use the date of the last menstrual period (LMP) as the first date.</p> <p>Enter the applicable qualifier to identify which date is being reported.</p> <p>431 Onset of Current Symptoms or Illness 484 Last Menstrual Period</p> <p>Enter the qualifier to the right of the vertical, dotted line.</p>

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15	Other Date	<p>Situational-Enter another date related to the patient’s condition or treatment. Enter the date in the 6-digit (MM DD YY) or 8-digit (MM DD YYYY) format. Enter the applicable qualifier to identify which date is being reported. 454 Initial Treatment 304 Latest Visit or Consultation 453 Acute Manifestation of a Chronic Condition 439 Accident 455 Last X-ray 471 Prescription 090 Report Start (Assumed Care Date) 091 Report End (Relinquished Care Date) 444 First Visit or Consultation Enter the qualifier between the left-hand set of vertical, dotted lines.</p>
16	Dates Patient Unable to Work in Current Occupation	<p>Optional-If the patient is employed and is unable to work in current occupation, a 6-digit (MM/DD/YY) or 8-digit (MM/DD/YYYY) date must be shown for the “from-to” dates that the patient is unable to work. An entry in this field may indicate employment-related insurance coverage.</p>
17	Name of Referring Provider or Other Source	<p>Situational – Enter the name (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name) followed by the credentials of the professional who referred or ordered the service(s) or supply(ies) on the claim. If multiple providers are involved, enter one provider using the following priority order: 1. Referring Provider 2. Ordering Provider 3. Supervising Provider Enter the applicable qualifier to identify which provider is being reported. DN Referring Provider DK Ordering Provider DQ Supervising Provider Enter the qualifier to the left of the vertical, dotted line.</p>

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17A.	Other ID #	<p>Situational – The Other ID number of the referring, ordering, or supervising provider is reported in 17a in the shaded area. The qualifier indicating what the number represents is reported in the qualifier field to the immediate right of 17a.</p> <p>The NUCC defines the following qualifiers used in 5010A1:</p> <p>0B State License Number</p> <p>1G Provider UPIN Number</p> <p>G2 Provider Commercial Number</p> <p>LU Location Number (This qualifier is used for Supervising Provider only.).</p>
17B	NPI Number	<p>Situational – Enter the NPI number of the referring, ordering, or supervising provider in Item Number 17b.</p>
18	Hospitalization Dates Related to Current Services	<p>Optional -Enter the inpatient 6-digit (MM/DD/YY) or 8-digit (MM/DD/YYYY) hospital admission date followed by the discharge date (if discharge has occurred). If not discharged, leave discharge date blank. This date is when a medical service is furnished as a result of, or subsequent to, a related hospitalization.</p>
19	Additional Claim Information (Designated by NUCC)	<p>Situational-Please refer to the most current instructions from the public or private payer regarding the use of this field.</p> <p>NH Medicaid-Used for providers to communicate information particular to this claim, not a duplicate or not covered by other insurance and why.</p>
20	Outside Lab? \$ Charges	<p>Optional -Complete this field when billing for purchased services by entering an X in “YES.” A “YES” mark indicates that the reported service was provided by an entity other than the billing provider (for example, services subject to Medicare’s anti-markup rule). A “NO” mark or blank indicates that no purchased services are included on the claim. Complete this field when billing for purchased services by entering an X in “YES.” A “YES” mark indicates that the reported service was provided by an entity other than the billing provider (for example, services subject to Medicare’s anti-markup rule). A “NO” mark or blank indicates that no purchased services are included on the claim.</p>

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21	Diagnoses or Nature of Illness or Injury	<p>Required - Enter the applicable ICD indicator to identify which version of ICD codes is being reported.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">9 ICD-9-CM 0 ICD-10-CM</p> <p>Enter the indicator between the vertical, dotted lines in the upper right-hand portion of the field.</p> <p>Enter the codes to identify the patient's diagnosis and/or condition. List no more than 12 ICD-9-CM or ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes. Relate lines A - L to the lines of service in 24E by the 1</p>
22	Resubmission and/or Original Reference Number	<p>Optional-List the original reference number for resubmitted claims. Please refer to the most current instructions from the public or private payer regarding the use of this field (e.g., code).</p> <p>When resubmitting a claim, enter the appropriate bill frequency code left justified in the left-hand side of the field.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">7 Replacement of prior claim 8 Void/cancel of prior claim</p> <p>This Item Number is not intended for use for original claim submissions.</p>
23	Prior Authorization Number (Service Authorization)	<p>**Not being used at this time**</p> <p>Situational- Enter any of the following: prior authorization number, as assigned by the payer for the current service. The "Prior Authorization Number" is the payer assigned number authorizing service(s)</p>
24A	Date(s) of Service (lines 1-6)	<p>Required - Enter date(s) of service, both the "From" and "To" dates. If there is only one date of service, enter that date under "From." Leave "To" blank or re-enter "From" date. The number of days must correspond to the number of units in 24G. Date(s) of Service" indicates the actual month, day, and year the service(s) was provided.</p>

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24A	Shaded Area Supplemental Information	<p>Situational-Enter the National Drug Codes (NDC), for J, Q and S drug procedure codes.</p> <p>The NDC Qualifier N4 should be entered in the first two positions, then the 11 digit NDC code without dashes or spaces. The NDC units of measure qualifier and NDC drug quantity should follow.</p> <p>The following qualifiers are to be used when reporting NDC unit/basis of measurement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> F2 International Unit ME Milligram UN Unit GR Gram ML Milliliter
24B	Place of Service lines(1-6)	<p>Required - In 24B, enter the appropriate two-digit code from the Place of Service Code list for each item used or service performed. The “Place of Service” Code identifies the location where the service was rendered.</p> <p>The Place of Service Codes are available at: www.cms.gov/physicianfeesched/downloads/Website_POS_database.pdf.</p>
24C	EMG (lines 1-6)	N/A
24D	Procedures, Services or Supplies (Lines 1-6)	<p>Required-Enter the CPT or HCPCS code(s) and modifier(s) (if applicable) from the appropriate code set in effect on the date of service. This field accommodates the entry of up to four two-digit modifiers. The specific procedure code(s) must be shown without a narrative description.</p>
24E	Diagnosis Pointer (Lines 1-6)	<p>Required - In 24E, enter the diagnosis code reference letter (pointer) as shown in Item Number 21 to relate the date of service and the procedures performed to the primary diagnosis. When multiple services are performed, the primary reference letter for each service should be listed first, other applicable services should follow. The reference letter(s) should be A – L or multiple letters as applicable. ICD-9-CM (or ICD-10-CM, once mandated) diagnosis codes must be entered in Item Number 21 only. Do not enter them in 24E.</p> <p>This field allows for the entry of 4 characters in the unshaded area</p>

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24F	\$ Charges (Lines 1-6)	<p>Required - Enter the charge for each listed service.</p> <p>Enter the number right justified in the dollar area of the field. Do not use commas when reporting dollar amounts. Negative dollar amounts are not allowed. Dollar signs should not be entered. Enter 00 in the cents area if the amount is a whole number.</p> <p>“Charges” is the total billed amount for each service line.</p>
24G	Days or Units (Lines 1-6)	<p>Required - Enter the number of days or units. This field is most commonly used for multiple visits, units of supplies, anesthesia units or minutes, or oxygen volume. If only one service is performed, the numeral 1 must be entered.</p> <p>Enter numbers left justified in the field. No leading zeroes are required. If reporting a fraction of a unit, use the decimal point.</p> <p>Anesthesia services must be reported as minutes. Units may only be reported for anesthesia services when the code description includes a time period (such as “daily management”).</p> <p>“Days or Units” is the number of days corresponding to the dates entered in 24A</p>

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24H.	EPSDT/Family Plan (Lines 1-6)	<p>Situational-For Early & Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment related services, enter the response in the shaded portion of the field as follows:</p> <p>If there is no requirement (e.g., state requirement) to report a reason code for EPDST, enter Y for “YES” or N for “NO” only.</p> <p>If there is a requirement to report a reason code for EPDST, enter the appropriate reason code as noted below. (A Y or N response is not entered with the code.) The two character code is right justified in the shaded area of the field.</p> <p>The following codes for EPSDT are used in 5010A1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AV- Available – Not Used (Patient refused referral.) S2- Under Treatment (Patient is currently under treatment for referred diagnostic or corrective health problem.) ST- New Service Requested (Referral to another provider for diagnostic or corrective treatment/scheduled for another appointment with screening provider for diagnostic or corrective treatment for at least one health problem identified during an initial or periodic screening service, not including dental referrals.) NU- Not Used (Used when no EPSDT patient referral was given.) <p>If the service is Family Planning, enter Y (“YES”) or N (“NO”) in the bottom, unshaded area of the field.</p>

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24I	ID Qualifier (Lines 1-6)	<p>Required-Enter in the shaded area of 24I the qualifier identifying if the number is a non-NPI. The Other ID# of the rendering provider should be reported in 24J in the shaded area.</p> <p>The NUCC defines the following qualifiers used in 5010A1: 0B State License Number 1G Provider UPIN Number G2 Provider Commercial Number LU Location Number ZZ Provider Taxonomy (The qualifier in the 5010A1 for Provider Taxonomy is PXC, but ZZ will remain the qualifier for the 1500 Claim Form.)</p> <p>The above list contains both provider identifiers, as well as the provider taxonomy code. The provider identifiers are assigned to the provider either by a specific payer or by a third party in order to uniquely identify the provider. The taxonomy code is designated by the provider in order to identify his/her provider type, classification, and/or area of specialization. Both, provider identifiers and provider taxonomy may be used in this field.</p> <p>The Rendering Provider is the person or company (laboratory or other facility) who rendered or supervised the care. If the provider does not have an NPI number, enter the appropriate qualifier and identifying number in the shaded area. There will always be providers who do not have an NPI and will need to report non-NPI identifiers on their claim forms. The qualifiers will indicate the non-NPI number being reported.</p>
24J.	Rendering Provider ID Number (Lines 1-6)	<p>Required-The individual rendering the service should be reported in 24J. Enter the non-NPI ID number in the shaded area of the field. Enter the NPI number in the unshaded area of the field.</p> <p>The Rendering Provider is the person or company (laboratory or other facility) who rendered or supervised the care.</p>
25	Federal Tax ID Number	<p>Optional-Enter the “Federal Tax ID Number” (employer ID number or SSN) of the Billing Provider identified in Item Number 33. This is the tax ID number intended to be used for 1099 reporting purposes. Enter an X in the appropriate box to indicate which number is being reported. Only one box can be marked.</p> <p>Do not enter hyphens with numbers. Enter numbers left justified in the field.</p>

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26	Patient's Account Number	Optional- Enter patient account number. Do not enter hyphens with numbers. Enter numbers left justified in the field.
27	Accept Assignment?	Required- Enter an X in the correct box. Only one box can be marked. Report "Accept Assignment?" for all payers. The accept assignment indicates that the provider agrees to accept assignment under the terms of the payer's program.
28	Total Charge	Required – Enter total charges for the services (i.e., total of all charges in 24F). Enter the number right justified in the dollar area of the field. Do not use commas when reporting dollar amounts. Negative dollar amounts are not allowed. Dollar signs should not be entered. Enter 00 in the cents area if the amount is a whole number. The "Total Charge" is the total billed amount for all services entered in 24F (lines 1–6).
29	Amount Paid	Required- Enter total amount the patient and/or other payers paid on the covered services only. Enter the number right justified in the dollar area of the field. Do not use commas when reporting dollar amounts. Negative dollar amounts are not allowed. Dollar signs should not be entered. Enter 00 in the cents area if the amount is a whole number. The "Amount Paid" is the payment received from the patient or other payers.
30	Reserved for NUCC Use	N/A -This field was previously used to report "Balance Due." "Balance Due" does not exist in 5010A1, so this field has been eliminated.
31	Signature of Physician or Supplier Including Degrees or Credentials	Required – "Signature of Physician or Supplier Including Degrees or Credential" does not exist in 5010A1. Enter the legal signature of the practitioner or supplier, or signature stamp Enter either the 6-digit date (MMIDD YY), 8-digit date (MMIDD YYYY) the form was signed. This date must be on or after the last date of service on the claim. The "Signature of the Physician or Supplier Including Degrees or Credentials" refers to the authorized or accountable person and the degree, credentials, or title.

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32	Service Facility Location Information	Situational -The name and address of facility where services were rendered identifies the site where service(s) were provided. Enter the name, address, city, state, and ZIP code of the location where the services were rendered. NH Medicaid utilizes this information to assist with the NPI crosswalk.
32A	NPI #	Situational -Enter the NPI number of the service facility location in 32a. Only report a Service Facility Location NPI when the NPI is different from the Billing Provider NPI.
32B	Other ID#	Optional - Enter the 2-digit qualifier identifying the non-NPI number followed by the ID number. Do not enter a space, hyphen, or other separator between the qualifier and number. The NUCC defines the following qualifiers used in 5010A1: 0B State License Number G2 Provider Commercial Number LU Location Number The non-NPI ID number of the service facility is the payer assigned unique identifier of the facility.
33	Billing Provider Info & Ph #	Required – Enter the provider’s or supplier’s billing name, address, ZIP code, and phone number. The phone number is to be entered in the area to the right of the field title. Enter the name and address information in the following format: 1st Line – Name 2nd Line – Address 3rd Line – City, State and ZIP Code Item 33 identifies the provider that is requesting to be paid for the services rendered and should always be completed. Do not use punctuation (i.e., commas, periods) or other symbols in the address (e.g., 123 N Main Street 101 instead of 123 N. Main Street, #101). Enter a space between town name and state code; do not include a comma. Report a 9-digit ZIP code, including the hyphen. Do not use a hyphen or space as a separator within the telephone number. 5010A1 requires the “Billing Provider Address” be a street address or physical location. The NUCC recommends that the same requirements be applied here. The billing provider’s or supplier’s billing name, address, ZIP code, and phone number is the billing office location and telephone number of the provider or supplier.

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33A.	NPI#	<p>Required - Enter the NPI number of the billing provider in 33A.</p> <p>Not required for Atypical providers.</p>
33B	Other ID#	<p>Required – Enter the 2-digit qualifier identifying the non-NPI number followed by the ID number. Do not enter a space, hyphen, or other separator between the qualifier and number.</p> <p>The NUCC defines the following qualifiers used in 5010A1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0B State License Number G2 Provider Commercial Number ZZ Provider Taxonomy (The qualifier in the 5010A1 for Provider Taxonomy is PXC, but ZZ will remain the qualifier for the 1500 Claim Form.) <p>The above list contains both provider identifiers, as well as the provider taxonomy code. The provider identifiers are assigned to the provider either by a specific payer or by a third party in order to uniquely identify the provider. The taxonomy code is designated by the provider in order to identify his/her provider type, classification, and/or area of specialization. Both, provider identifiers and provider taxonomy may be used in this field.</p> <p>The non-NPI ID number of the billing provider refers to the payer assigned unique identifier of the professional.</p>