

# Providers' News



To: All Providers

From: Provider Network Operations

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Please Note: This newsletter contains information pertaining to Arkansas Blue Cross Blue Shield, a mutual insurance company, its wholly owned subsidiaries and affiliates (ABCBS). This newsletter does not pertain to Medicare. Medicare policies are outlined in the Medicare Providers' News bulletins. If you have any questions, please feel free to call (501)378-2307 or (800)827-4814.

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### **ABCBS Fee Schedule Change**

Reminder: Effective July 1, 2000 Arkansas Blue Cross Blue Shield is updating the fee schedule used to price professional claims. The update includes changes in the Relative Value Units used to calculate the maximum allowances as well as the implementation of Site-Of - Service (SOS) pricing.

Under SOS pricing, a given procedure may have different allowances when provided in a setting other than the office.

The Place Of Service reported in block 24b on the HCFA 1500 claim form indicates which allowance should be applied. An "11" in this field indicates that the service was delivered in the office setting. Any value other than "11" in block 24b will result in the application of the SOS pricing, if there is an applicable SOS allowance for that service.

The allowable amount for claims submitted to ABCBS will be determined based on the date that the claim is processed. The allowable amount for claims submitted to Health Advantage and USABLE will be determined based on the date services were rendered.

**Health Advantage Referral Reminder**

Proper use of the referral process will save time and reduce the number of claims adjustments.

Primary Care Physicians (PCP's) Participating with Health Advantage: For referrals to participating in-network specialist providers, please complete the Health Advantage Specialty referral sheet. Retroactive referrals are discouraged and may not be eligible for benefits. Any request for a referral to a provider not participating with Health Advantage requires prior notification and review for benefits to be authorized.

Specialist providers Participating with Health Advantage: Please remember that in order for your services to be eligible for in-network benefits, you must place the referral number marked on the "scrip" referral sheet in field 23 of the HCFA-1500 form every time. If the referral number is not on each claim, then the service will either be denied or paid at the out-of-network benefit level if the patient has Point of Service (POS) benefits. Retroactive referrals are discouraged and may not be eligible for benefits.

Please note that this does NOT include referrals for Medi-Pak HMO or referrals for providers located in the Southeast or Southwest Regions.

If you have any questions, please contact the Regional Office nearest you.

**Dental Fee Schedule Effective May 1, 2000**

The dental fee schedule (see codes beginning page 17) has been updated to include new allowances for numerous codes. The allowances for these dental procedures are based on data reflecting average amounts billed by Arkansas dentists. It should be noted that billed amounts for many codes vary significantly in different regions of Arkansas and additional averaging was needed to calculate a state-wide fee allowance. The new fee schedule utilizes the Dental HCPCS codes. Please bill using the new codes.

**Electronic Filing Reminder**

All Arkansas' FirstSource claims may be filed electronically, including those for members covered under access-only groups.

**CPT Code 99070**

CPT code 99070 will no longer be developed for description of services. Charges will be denied. Please use appropriate CPT4 or HCPCS code for services rendered.

**Claims Imaging and Eligibility**

As part of the new imaging project recently installed for Private Business paper claims, a new Enterprise eligibility verification process is now being used. In order to help ensure that claims are processed as accurately and quickly as possible, it is critical that your paper claims are submitted with the following correct information.

1. Patient's Contract Number-This number should match the number on the ID card exactly, including any three digit alpha prefixes.
2. Patient's Last and First Name-Names should appear on claims exactly as on the patient's ID card. Avoid the use of nicknames. Also, do not include titles such as Mr., Mrs, Jr., Sr., etc.
3. Patient's Date of Birth-This information may not be available on the ID card, but it is important to make sure that correct eligibility for claims is established prior to payment.

If you receive a letter of rejection for eligibility information, be sure to **correct any of these items above and submit a NEW claim form**. Be sure to use the red form for new HCFA-1500 or UB-92 claims. Please correct any invalid eligibility information on your patient records so that any future claims will be filed correctly and processed as quickly as possible.

**Anesthesia Base Units**

Some anesthesia base units allowed by Arkansas Blue Cross Blue Shield differ from those recommended by the American Society of Anesthesiologists. Providers that file paper claims are reminded to bill anesthesia time by indicating the number of minutes in the units field (box 24G) on the HCFA 1500 claim form. Changes have been made in the anesthesia base units of the following CPT codes to match the year 2000 Relative Value Guide of the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

Code/Units	Code/Units	Code/Units
00560 15	00700 4	00794 8
00800 4	00810 5	00850 7
00857 7	00865 7	00873 5
01150 10	01214 8	01440 8
01770 6	01921 8	

**Coronary Artery Interventions**

CPT codes 92980 and 92981 (coronary artery stenting), and 92982 and 92984 (coronary PTCA), may occasionally be billed on the same date of service if the services are done in different vessels. Currently, the claim must be developed to make that determination.

The AMA's *CPT Assistant* (Vol 6, Issue 8, August 1996) defined four coronary vessels:

LMCA	Left Main Coronary Artery
RCA	Right Coronary Artery
LAD	Left Anterior Descending Coronary Artery
LCX	Left Circumflex Coronary Artery

Only one intervention can be coded for each major artery per session, no matter how many blockages are treated in that artery or its branches.

Effective January 1, 1997, HCFA added new modifiers to help code interventions to a major coronary artery or one of its branches. ABCBS will now require use of the following modifiers for coronary artery intervention billing. Use of the following modifiers will help facilitate claims processing and avoid payment delays:

- LD (left anterior descending artery)
- LC (left circumflex coronary artery)
- RC (right coronary artery)
- LMCA (left main coronary artery)

These modifiers should be used with CPT codes 92980-92984 and 92995-92996.

Claims for interventional services in coronary arteries filed without the above modifiers will be returned to the submitter as incomplete.

#### **Type of Service Corrections**

Please note the following corrections to the Type of Service cross reference list in the March Providers' News issue:

CPT Codes 88300-88499 Type of Service should be 02 (Surgery)  
CPT Codes 88170-88179 Type of Service should be 02 (Surgery)  
CPT Codes 88240-88291 Type of Service should be 02 (Surgery)  
CPT Codes 99241-99275 Type of Service should be 03 (Consultation)  
CPT Codes 77261-77799 Type of Service should be 06 (Radiation Therapy)

Claims submitted with incorrect or invalid National Standard Format (NSF) Type of Service codes may be returned to providers for corrected billing. See page 15 for a listing of valid TOS codes.

#### **Claims Payment Issues**

While one of our ongoing goals is to minimize the number of claims paid incorrectly, errors will occasionally be made. Some of these error conditions can affect 1099 earnings and/or patients' claim history, deductibles, and benefit limits. These situations can result in

incorrect information being reported to the IRS and/or incorrect patient benefit determination.

Please note:

- amounts of issued provider payee checks are recorded as increases to the 1099 earnings;
- amounts of voided provider payee checks are recorded as decreases to the 1099 earnings;
- amounts received from providers (claims refunds) are recorded as decreases to the 1099 earnings.
- 1099 earnings are accumulated under the Tax Identification Number (TIN) of the payee, as recorded in our files at the time of the transaction. You must notify us promptly if your TIN or your name changes in order to ensure accurate reporting to the IRS. If the IRS sends us a B-Notice indicating that the Taxpayer Name and TIN we filed does not match their records, we will be required to withhold, and remit to the IRS, 31% of future amounts payable to you if corrected data is not received within the mandated time frame. Once withheld amounts are remitted to the IRS, they cannot be refunded to you, but will be reported on your 1099 as Federal Income Tax Withheld.

#### **Notes to physicians:**

For Paper Claims: As the provider of service, you should always enter your individual provider number in box # 24K of the HCFA1500 claim form. If you want a clinic to be the payee, you must enter the clinic's provider number in box # 33.

For Electronic Claims: As the provider of service, you should always enter your individual provider number beginning in position 93 of field 23 on the FA0 record. For non-Medicare claims, you must enter the "pay to" provider number beginning in position 105 of field 14 on the BA0 record. For Medicare claims, the "pay to" provider number must be entered beginning in position 48 of field 9 on the BA0 record.

- Deductibles, benefit limits, out-of-pocket maximums, and lifetime maximums are accumulated by individual member. If erroneous claims are not adjusted appropriately and promptly, subsequent claims may be incorrectly adjudicated.

Listed below are examples of some situations that can occur along with procedures recommended to facilitate correction of the data.

- Please verify that the payee is correct on all checks that you receive prior to negotiating them.

- If you receive payment for a claim for services that you did not provide:  
Please refund the amount paid in error. Even if you know to whom the payment should have been made, do not forward the amount to that party. Your 1099 can only be corrected if the money is returned so that the claim can be re-processed to the appropriate party.
- If the patient was paid and payment should have been made directly to you:  
Please advise the patient to return the check, or refund the amount paid, along with a request to re-process the payment to the provider. If you accept payment from the patient, we could subsequently discover the error and send a request for refund to him/her since our records will reflect that he/she received the payment.
- If you were paid and payment should have been made to the patient:  
Please refund the payment to us (rather than to the patient) along with a request to re-process the payment to the patient. Your 1099 can only be corrected if the money is returned, so that the claim can be re-processed to the appropriate party.
- If a check is made payable to an individual physician but should have been made payable to the clinic:  
Please return the check to us (rather than depositing it in the clinic's account) with a request to re-process the payment to the appropriate provider. Your 1099 can only be corrected if the money is returned, so that the claim can be re-processed to the appropriate party.  
NOTE: If the check is made payable to an individual physician, the 1099 will be generated in the physician's name, even if he/she is an employee of the clinic.
- We recommend that you endorse and deposit all checks as soon as possible after confirming that the payee is correct. Most of our checks have a pre-printed staledate message indicating that the check will be void if not cashed within a specific time frame (usually six months). After that time, the check must be re-issued or, in some cases, the claim must be re-processed.
- As a deterrent to fraud and to enhance the quality of copies of cleared checks that might be requested in the future, we also recommend that endorsements be made in black ink and include the bank account number into which the deposit is being made.
- To minimize the time required to process a claim refund and to ensure that your 1099 earnings are adjusted accurately:
- When sending us a requested refund:  
Please return the remittance copy of the refund request letter along with your check.
- When sending us an unrequested refund:  
It is not necessary to return the original check and the entire remittance advice/ explanation of payment if just one or two patient claims are paid incorrectly. Please enclose copies of the remittance advice/ explanation of payment pages with the claims paid in error highlighted and a notation of the reason for the refund  
or enclose the following information for each claim paid in error:
  - (1) reason for the refund,
  - (2) patient name,
  - (3) patient ID number,
  - (4) date of service,
  - (5) amount
  - (6) provider name (pay to)
  - (7) provider number (pay to)
  - (8) and TIN (pay to).
 A separate refund check for each claim is preferred, if you are not returning the original check.
- **Your 1099 earnings can only be corrected if we have your specific provider name, number, and TIN. If you use the services of a third party for these financial transactions, please instruct them to provide this information on each refund.**
- Please do not combine refunds for Arkansas Blue Cross Blue Shield, Health Advantage, USABLE Administrators, First Pyramid Life (FPL), and Medicare. The following are the correct addresses to use for claims refund:
 

Arkansas Blue Cross Blue Shield  
P.O. Box 2099  
Little Rock, AR 72203

Health Advantage  
P.O. Box 8069  
Little Rock, AR 72203

USABLE Administrators  
P.O. Box 1460  
Little Rock, AR 72203

First Pyramid Life  
P.O. Box 1151  
Little Rock, AR 72203

Medicare (*part A or B*)  
P.O. Box 8075  
Little Rock, AR 72203

- Please do not issue refund checks to Arkansas First Source.

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**A Guide to  
The HCFA - 1500  
Claim Form  
(Paper Claims)**

**May 8, 2000  
Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield**

**ABCBS HCFA-1500-OCR Instructions**

These guidelines will help you prepare your claims for Optical Character Recognition (OCR) scanning when filing claims for Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Health Advantage, and USABLE. If you follow these simple guidelines, we'll be able to process your claims accurately. A correctly completed claim form means quicker payment for your office and no-refiling for you!

**Align the form**-Please align your form carefully so that all data falls within the blocks on the claim form. You'll be able to keep your form aligned if you center an "X" in the boxes at the top right and left corners of the claim. Please be sure that all line-item information appears on the same horizontal line.

**Keep it clean**-Please don't print, write or stamp extra data on the claim form. When you correct errors, please use white correction tape only, not correction fluid.

**Ribbons and fonts**-Use only black ribbons in your typewriter or printer. Change your ribbons frequently. Although we can accept claims using a 12-pitch setting, we prefer that you use a 10-pitch setting. If software supports fonts, please use Courier 12 monospace font.

**Use UPPERCASE**-Use only UPPERCASE letters for alphabetical entries. Don't mix fonts or use italics, script, percent signs, question marks or parentheses.

**Names**-For all blocks requiring names, please omit any titles, such as Mr. or Mrs. **Enter the last name first, followed by a comma and then the first name (Last Name, First Name – for example, DOE, JAMES)**

**Dates**-Use an eight-digit format for all dates. For example, enter July 1, 1999 as 07011999. All dates must be valid dates. Some fields require an entry such as DOS, others are optional.

**Time**-Use a four-digit format for time, referred to on the form as "units" (see Block 24G). For example, enter one hour and 15 minutes as 0075.

**Print quality**-You can help ensure that your paper claims are accurately processed by checking the quality of the print carefully. Faint printing can cause scanning problems. Please replace your printer ribbon regularly,

and be sure to use the highest quality print setting available.

**Dollars and cents**-Please don't use dollar signs in any block. Separate dollars and cents with a blank space. For example, enter \$1,322.00 as 1332 00.

**Forms**-Please don't fold, staple or tape your claim. Please separate your forms carefully. If you use bursting equipment, adjust the splitters to precisely remove the pinfeed edges. Claims must be submitted on the 12/90 version of the HCFA 1500 form printed with red "drop out" ink. You may obtain copies of the HCFA 1500 through various vendors, the American Medical Association, or the U.S. Government Printing Office.

**Lines of Service (block 24)**-Please limit yourself to six lines on each claim you file.

If you follow these guidelines, we'll be able to process your claims expeditiously.

**ABCBS HCFA-1500-Step-by-Step Instructions**

The following information is designed to help you complete the HCFA 1500. Please only submit paper claims if electronic claim submission isn't possible. Please remember that you only need to fill out the blocks for which we've provided instructions.

**Block 1 a-Insured's I.D. number**

Enter the subscriber's current identification number exactly as it appears on their health insurance identification card, including any alpha or numeric prefix or suffix, if present. For example, when submitting claims for BlueCard® (Out-of-Area) Program patients, please be sure to use the three-letter prefix that appears on the identification card. An entry in this block is required. Please don't list any extra data, such as the name of the plan. Transposed or incomplete contract numbers will cause a delay in processing or denial of the claim.

**Block 2-Patient's name**

Enter the patient's last name followed by a comma and the first name in all capital letters. An entry in this block is required. Do not include any titles (such as Mr. or Mrs.), suffixes (like Jr. or Sr.), apostrophes, hyphens, or any other marks of punctuation besides the comma. For example, enter the name Mary O'Hara as "OHARA, MARY." Do not use nicknames.

**Block 3-Patient's birth date and sex**

Enter the patient's birth date and sex. Date of Birth is required.

**Block 4-Insured's name**

Enter the last name of the policyholder or subscriber, followed by a comma and the first name. Please enter this name exactly as it appears on their card. Do not include any titles (such as Mr. or Mrs.), suffixes (like Jr. or Sr.), apostrophes, hyphens, or any other marks of punctuation besides the comma. Do not use nicknames. For example, enter the name Mary always as "OHARA, MARY."

Please don't use the terms "same" or "self" if the insured's name is the same as the patient's name.

**Block 5-Patient's address**

Fill out this block only if the patient's address is different from the insured's address, in Block 7, and please enter no more than 24 characters in this field. Do not use a Post Office Box address unless absolutely necessary.

**Block 6-Patient relationship to insured**

Check the appropriate box for patient's relationship to the insured when block 4 is completed. Enter an "X" in one of the following boxes:

- Self - the patient is the subscriber or insured
- Spouse - the husband or wife of the insured
- Child - children covered under a family contract, who are unmarried and under age 19.
- Other - stepchildren, student dependents, handicapped children, and domestic partners. Please write in appropriate category above the box marked "other." Handicapped children who are incapable of self support may be retained on the family contract beyond age 19 if a written application is approved.

**Block 7-Insured's address**

It's very important to enter the insured's complete address for identification. The zip code is required.

**Block 9(a-d)-Other insured's name & other information**

If the patient is covered under another health benefit plan and Health Advantage, USAble, or Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield is the secondary payer, please enter the full name of the policyholder and include the following information in Blocks 9 (a) - (d).

- (a) Other Insured's Policy or Group Number
- (b) Other Insured's Date of Birth and Sex
- (c) Employer's Name or School Name
- (d) Insurance Plan or Program Name

**Block 10(a-c)-Is patient's condition related to?**

For each category (Employment, Auto Accident, Other), insert an "X" in either the YES or NO box. When applicable, attach an explanation of benefits (EOB) or letter from the auto carrier indicating personal injury protection benefits have been exhausted. If there are any "Yes" responses be sure to put a date in Block 14.

**Block 11d-Is there another health benefit plan?**

Enter an "X" in the appropriate box.

**Block 14-Date of current (illness, injury or pregnancy)**

- Injury - Enter date the accident/injury occurred
- Illness - Enter for an acute medical emergency only and include onset date of Condition
- Pregnancy - Enter the date of the LMP
- Surgery - For post-operative visits, please enter the date of surgery

**Block 17-Name of referring physician or other source**

Complete this block when:

- Consultations are performed
- Co-attending care is provided
- A laboratory is rendering services at the physician's request
- Direct supervision is provided; enter the name and license number of the supervised assistant who actually rendered the service
- Patient is referred to a non-panel/network provider

**Block 18-Hospitalization dates related to current services**

Complete only for services related to inpatient hospitalization, enter the admission and discharge dates.

**Block 19-Reserved for local use****Block 20-Outside lab?**

If laboratory work was performed outside your office enter the laboratory's actual charge to you. If the laboratory bills us directly, enter an "X" in the NO box.

**Block 21(1-4)-Diagnosis or nature of illness or injury**

Enter the appropriate five-digit ICD.9.CM. diagnosis code for which the services have been performed. Services for treatment of a psychiatric disorder require DSM-111 or DSM-III(R) five-digit codes. You can use up to four codes in priority order. Do not include the narrative description of the code. When searching for codes, always be as specific and accurate as possible.



V codes are acceptable when billing for wellness benefits.

**Block 23-Prior authorization number**

Fill out this block for services requiring referrals.

**Block 24A-Date(s) of service**

It is very important that you fill out this block correctly. Enter the month, day, year for each procedure or service. When "from" and "to" dates are shown for a series of identical services, enter the number of days or units in column "G".

**Block 24B-Place of Service (POS)**

For Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield claims use the current National Standard Format (NSF) POS codes. The following are POS codes you should use when filling out this block.

- 11 Office
- 12 Home
- 21 Inpatient Hospital
- 22 Outpatient Hospital
- 23 Emergency Room - Hospital**
- 24 Ambulatory Surgical Center
- 25 Birthing Center
- 26 Military Treatment Facility
- 31 Skilled Nursing Facility
- 32 Nursing Facility
- 33 Custodial Care Facility
- 34 Hospice
- 41 Ambulance Land
- 42 Ambulance Air or Water
- 50 Federally Qualified Health Center
- 51 Inpatient Psychiatric Facility
- 52 Psychiatric Facility Partial Hospitalization
- 53 Community Mental Health Center
- 54 Intermediate Care Facility/Mentally Retarded
- 55 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facility
- 56 Psychiatric Residential Treatment Center
- 60 Mass Immunization Center
- 61 Comprehensive Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility
- 62 Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility
- 65 End-Stage Renal Disease Treatment Facility
- 71 State or Local Public Health Clinic
- 72 Rural Health Clinic
- 81 Independent Laboratory
- 99 Other Unlisted Facility

**Block 24C-Type Of Service (TOS)**

For Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield claims use the current National Standard Format (NSF) codes. The following table outlines TOS codes you should use when filling out this block. This field must be entered using two digits.

- 01 – Medical Care
- 02 – Surgery
- 03 – Consultation
- 04 – Diagnostic X-Ray
- 05 – Diagnostic Lab
- 06 – Radiation Therapy
- 07 – Anesthesia
- 08 – Surgical Assistance
- 09 – Other Medical
- 10 – Blood Charges
- 11 – Used DME
- 12 – DME Purchase
- 13 – ASC Facility
- 14 – Renal Supplies in the Home
- 15 – Alternate Method Dialysis
- 16 – CRD Equipment
- 17 – Pre-Admission Testing
- 18 – DME Rental
- 19 – Pneumonia vaccine
- 20 – Second Surgical Opinion
- 21 – Third Surgical Opinion
- 99 – Other (e.g., used for prescription drugs)

**Block 24D-Procedures, services or supplies**

Complete this field with the current and valid CPT/HCPCS procedure codes and any applicable modifiers to further explain the services rendered.

**Block 24E- Diagnosis "Pointer" code**

Do not show the actual diagnosis code in this block. Enter the line-item diagnosis code as it relates to the services reported in Block 24D. Do not range, list primary diagnosis for service line first. (1,2,3 not 1-3). This requires you to enter the diagnosis code reference number "Pointer" (1, 2, 3, or 4) that corresponds with the diagnosis as entered in Block 21. Use the reference number for the primary diagnosis for why the service was performed. Each service or procedure must have a reference to one of the ICD-9 codes in Block 21.

**Block 24F-Charges**

Enter the charges for each line with a blank space separating the dollars and cents. (e.g., enter 60.00 as 60 00)

**Block 24G-Days or units**

Enter the appropriate units of service for the procedure. Anesthesia services require the number of minutes to be

billed in this field. Other procedure codes that require time units should be billed as appropriate for the code.

**Block 24K-Reserved for local use**

It is essential that you provide the accurate servicing provider's number. Please follow the example listed below when you enter the servicing provider's identification number and the control letters in Block 24K.

Example:

Provider Number – 1J2345

Enter on your form as: 1J2345

**Block 25-Federal Tax ID number**

If available, please enter this identification number. If this number changes, notify ABCBS Provider Network Operations, Provider File section at Post Office Box 2181, Little Rock, AR 72203.

**Block 28-Total charge**

Enter the sum of all line charges.

**Block 29-Amount paid**

Report payments you've already received from another insurer. Attach a copy of the other insurer's explanation of benefits (EOB) and complete Block 9. Please note: if we're the secondary payer, you should not submit a claim until you've received the primary payer's payment.

**Block 30-Balance due**

Once you have received payment from another insurer, enter the balance due from us.

**Block 31-Signature of physician or supplier**

Have the physician or supplier sign here unless a signature waiver application has been completed already.

**Block 33-Physician/supplier's billing name, address and phone**

It's essential that you provide us with the correct billing provider's number. Please follow the example listed below when you enter the provider identification number. If a clinic - enter the Group # in the Group field. If a solo practitioner - enter the individual provider # in the PIN field.

Example:

Provider Number - 12345

Enter on your form as: 12345

## The BlueCard Program Provider Manual

### What is the BlueCard Program?

The BlueCard Program links participating health care providers and the independent Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans across the country through a single electronic network for professional, outpatient and inpatient claims processing and reimbursement. The program allows participating Blue Cross and Blue Shield providers in every state to submit claims for indemnity and PPO patients who are enrolled through another Blue Plan to their local Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan.

Through the BlueCard Program, you can submit claims for Blue Cross and Blue Shield members (including Blue Cross only and Blue Shield only) visiting you from other areas directly to **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield**. **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield** is your sole contact for all Blue Cross and Blue Shield claims submissions, payments, adjustments, services and inquiries.

### What services and products are covered under the BlueCard® Program?

The BlueCard Program applies to all inpatient, outpatient and professional services. The BlueCard Program does not yet apply to the following:

- stand-alone dental and prescription drugs
- vision and hearing
- Medicare supplemental

### How do I identify BlueCard members?

When members from other Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans arrive at your office or facility be sure to ask them for their current membership identification card. The two main identifiers for BlueCard members are the alpha prefix and, for eligible PPO members, the “PPO in a suitcase” logo.

#### Alpha Prefix

The three-character alpha prefix at the beginning of the member’s identification number is the key element used to identify and correctly route out-of-area claims. The alpha prefix identifies the Plan or national account to which the member belongs.

There are two types of alpha prefixes: Plan-specific and account-specific.

- **Plan-specific alpha prefixes** are assigned to every Plan and start with X, Y, Z or Q. The first two positions indicate the Plan to which the member belongs while the third position identifies the product in which the member is enrolled.
  - First character X, Y, Z or Q
  - Second character A-Z
  - Third character A-Z
- **Account-specific prefixes** are assigned to centrally processed national accounts. National accounts are employer groups that have offices or branches in more than one area, but offer uniform coverage benefits to all of their employees. Account-specific alpha prefixes start with letters other than X, Y, Z or Q. Typically, a national account alpha prefix will relate to the name of the group. All three positions are used to identify the national account.



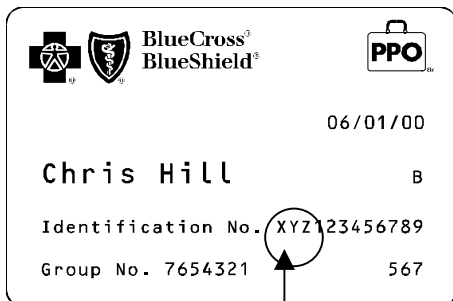
## TheBlueCard®

Now, Home Is Where The Card Is®

- **International alpha prefixes:** Occasionally, you may see identification cards from foreign Blue Cross and Blue Shield members. These ID cards will also contain three-character alpha prefixes. For example, “JIS” indicates Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Israel members. The BlueCard claims process for international members is the same as that for domestic Blue Cross and Blue Shield members.

### “PPO in a suitcase” Logo

You’ll immediately recognize BlueCard PPO members by the special “PPO in a suitcase” logo on their membership card. BlueCard PPO members are Blue Cross and Blue Shield members whose PPO benefits are delivered through the BlueCard Program. *It is important to remember that not all PPO members are BlueCard PPO members, only those whose membership cards carry this logo.* Members traveling or living outside of their Blue Plan’s area receive the PPO level of benefits when they obtain services from designated PPO providers.



*The “PPO in a suitcase” logo may appear anywhere on the front of the card.*

*The easy-to-find alpha prefix identifies the member’s Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan.*

### Identification Cards with no Alpha Prefix

Some identification cards may not have an alpha prefix. This may indicate that the claims are handled outside the BlueCard Program. Please look for instructions or a telephone number on the back of the member’s ID card for how to file these claims.

*It is very important to capture all ID card data at the time of service. This is critical for verifying membership and coverage. We suggest that you make copies of the front and back of the ID card and pass this key information on to your billing staff. Do not make up alpha prefixes.*

If you are not sure about your participation status (PPO or non-PPO), call **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield**.

### How do I find out about the member’s eligibility?

#### 1.800.676.BLUE (2583)

With the member’s most current ID card in hand, you can verify membership and coverage by calling BlueCard *Eligibility*® at 1-800-676-BLUE (2583). An operator will ask you for the alpha prefix on the member’s ID card and will connect you to the appropriate membership and coverage unit at the member’s Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan.

If you are unable to locate an alpha prefix on the member’s ID card, check for a phone number on the back of the ID card.

### What about utilization review (precertification/preauthorization)?

You should remind patients from other Blue Plans that they are responsible for obtaining precertification/preauthorization for their services from their Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan. You may also choose to contact the member’s Plan on behalf of the

member. If you choose to do so, refer to the precertification/preauthorization phone number on the back of the member’s ID card.

### Where and how do I submit BlueCard® Program claims?

You should always submit BlueCard claims to **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Post Office Box 2181, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-2181**. The only exception to this is if you contract with the member’s Plan (for example, in contiguous county or overlapping service area situations), in which case you should file the claim directly to the member’s Plan.

Be sure to include the member’s complete identification number when you submit the claim. The complete identification number includes the three-character alpha prefix. **Do not make up alpha prefixes.** Incorrect or missing alpha prefixes and member identification numbers delay claims processing.

Once **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield** receives a claim, it will electronically route the claim to the member’s Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan. The member’s Plan then processes the claim and approves payment, and **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield will** pay you.

If you are a non-PPO (traditional) provider and are presented with an identification card with the “PPO in a suitcase” logo on it, you should still accept the card and file with your local Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan. You will still be given the appropriate traditional pricing.

The claim submission process for international Blue Cross and Blue Shield members is the same as for domestic Blue Cross and Blue Shield members.

### Indirect, Support or Remote Providers

IF YOU ARE A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER THAT OFFERS PRODUCTS, MATERIALS, INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND REMOTE ANALYSES OR SERVICES, AND ARE NOT PRESENT IN THE SAME PHYSICAL LOCATION AS A PATIENT, YOU ARE CONSIDERED AN INDIRECT, SUPPORT OR REMOTE PROVIDER. EXAMPLES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, PROSTHESIS MANUFACTURERS, DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS, INDEPENDENT OR CHAIN LABORATORIES, OR TELEMEDICINE PROVIDERS.

IF YOU ARE AN INDIRECT PROVIDER FOR MEMBERS FROM MULTIPLE BLUE PLANS, FOLLOW THESE CLAIM FILING RULES:

- IF YOU HAVE A CONTRACT WITH THE MEMBER’S PLAN, FILE WITH THAT PLAN.
- IF YOU NORMALLY SEND CLAIMS TO THE DIRECT PROVIDER OF CARE, FOLLOW NORMAL PROCEDURES.

- IF YOU DO NOT NORMALLY SEND CLAIMS TO THE DIRECT PROVIDER OF CARE AND YOU DO NOT HAVE A CONTRACT WITH THE MEMBER'S PLAN, FILE WITH YOUR LOCAL BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD PLAN.

### **When and how will I be paid for BlueCard® claims?**

In some cases, a member's Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan may suspend a claim because medical review or additional information is necessary. When resolution of claim suspensions requires additional information from you, **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield** may either ask you for the information or give the member's Plan permission to contact you directly.

### **Who do I call about claims status, adjusting BlueCard® claims and resolving other issues?**

**Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield – BlueCard Customer Service – 501-378-2127 or 1-800-880-0918.**

### **How do I handle calls from members and others regarding claims status or payment?**

If a member contacts you, tell the member to contact their Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan. Refer them to the front or back of their ID card for a customer service number.

The member's Plan should not be contacting you directly. However, if the member's Plan does contact you to send them another copy of the member's claim, refer them to **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield, 501-378-2127 or 1-800-880-0918.**

### **How can I find out more information about the BlueCard® Program?**

For more information about the BlueCard Program, call **Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield at 501-378-2127 or 1-800-880-0918** or visit the BlueCard Program Web site at [www.bluecares.com/bluecard](http://www.bluecares.com/bluecard)



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<b>Beginning</b>	<b>Ending</b>	<b>NSF TYPE</b>	<b>Beginning</b>	<b>Ending</b>	<b>NSF TYPE</b>
A0021	A0999	01	K0000	K0048	12
A4000	A4640	12	K0049	K0049	12
A4641	A4647	04	K0050	K0104	12
A4648	A8999	12	K0050	K0104	18
A9150	A9150	09	K0105	K0105	12
A9500	A9500	04	K0106	K0118	12
A9503	A9503	04	K0106	K0118	18
A9505	A9505	04	K0119	K0123	09
A9507	A9507	04	K0124	K0136	12
A9605	A9605	04	K0124	K0136	18
A9900	A9901	12	K0137	K0412	12
B4000	B9999	12	K0415	K0418	09
B4000	B9999	18	K0419	K0461	12
E0100	E0784	12	K0462	K0462	12
E0100	E0784	18	K0462	K0462	18
E0785	E0785	12	K0463	K0501	12
E0786	E9999	12	K0503	K0528	09
E0786	E9999	18	K0529	K0530	12
G0001	G0001	05	K0531	K0534	12
G0002	G0002	02	K0531	K0534	18
G0003	G0007	05	L0100	L0119	12
G0008	G0010	01	L0100	L0119	18
G0015	G0027	05	L0120	L1120	12
G0030	G0050	04	L1200	L1290	12
G0101	G0103	05	L1300	L1300	12
G0104	G0106	02	L1300	L1300	18
G0107	G0107	05	L1310	L1499	12
G0108	G0109	01	L1500	L2999	12
G0110	G0116	01	L1500	L2999	18
G0120	G0121	02	L3000	L3100	12
G0122	G0122	04	L3140	L8039	12
G0123	G0126	05	L3140	L8039	18
G0127	G0127	02	L8100	L8239	12
G0128	G0129	01	L8300	L8330	12
G0130	G0132	05	L8400	L8699	12
G0141	G0141	05	L8400	L8699	18
G0143	G0148	05	L9084	L9084	12
G0151	G0156	01	L9900	L9900	12
G0159	G0160	02	L9900	L9900	18
G0161	G0165	04	M0005	M0064	01
G0166	G0167	01	M0075	M0100	01
G0168	G0171	02	M0101	M0101	02
G0168	G0171	08	M0102	M0300	01
G0172	G0172	01	M0301	M0302	05
H5300	H5300	01	P0000	P9999	05
J0000	J9999	09	Q0035	Q0035	05
J0000	J9999	01	Q0068	Q0068	05

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Q0081	Q0086	01	92950	92971	01
Q0091	Q0091	05	92975	92998	02
Q0092	Q0092	04	93000	93499	05
Q0103	Q0104	01	93500	93660	02
Q0111	Q0115	05	93700	93726	05
Q0132	Q0132	12	93727	93727	04
Q0136	Q0157	09	93728	93740	05
Q0163	Q0185	09	93741	93744	04
Q0186	Q0186	01	93745	93999	04
Q0187	Q0187	09	94010	94799	05
Q1001	Q1005	12	95004	95199	01
Q1001	Q1005	18	95805	95999	05
Q9920	Q9940	9	96100	96105	01
R0070	R0076	04	96110	96110	01
V0000	V2799	01	96111	96549	01
V5000	V5299	05	96552	96552	12
W0009	W0009	01	96570	96571	02
W7230	W7230	02	97001	99142	01
W7240	W7240	02	99167	99169	12
W9122	W9122	01	99170	99170	02
W9123	W9124	01	99171	99171	12
W9220	W9220	02	99173	99173	01
W9450	W9450	12	99175	99192	01
X9150	X9915	12	99193	99194	12
Y9120	Y9120	12	99195	99199	01
Y9121	Y9122	01	99201	99240	01
Y9123	Y9124	12	99241	99275	03
Y9125	Y9130	01	99276	99499	01
10000	69999	02	00100	01999	07
10000	69999	08			
70010	77260	04			
77261	77799	06			
78000	79999	04			
80048	85094	05			
85095	85095	02			
85096	88169	05			
88170	88179	02			
88180	88239	05			
88240	88291	02			
88299	88299	05			
88300	88499	02			
89005	89399	05			
90281	90911	01			
91000	91299	05			
92012	92015	01			
92018	92019	02			
92020	92499	01			
92500	92599	01			



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D0120	Periodic Oral Examination	\$20.00
D0140	Limited Oral Evaluation - Problem Focused (Formerly Code 00130)	\$25.00
D0150	Comprehensive Oral Examination (Formerly Code 00110)	\$30.00
D0210	Intraoral - Complete Series (Including Bitewings)	\$55.00
D0220	Intraoral- Periapical-First Film	\$15.00
D0230	Intraoral-Periapical-Each Additional Film	\$13.00
D0240	Intraoral-Occlusal Film	\$18.00
D0250	Extraoral-First Film	\$20.00
D0260	Extraoral-Each Additional Film	\$15.00
D0270	Bitewing-Single Film	\$13.00
D0272	Bitewings - Two Films	\$22.00
D0274	Bitewings - Four Films	\$32.00
D0290	Posterior - Anterior Or Lateral Skull And Facial Bone Survey Film	\$45.00
D0330	Panoramic Film	\$50.00
D0340	Cephalometric Film	\$45.00
D0460	Pulp Vitality Tests	\$20.00
D0470	Diagnostic Casts	\$25.00
D1110	Prophylaxis - Adults	\$40.00
D1120	Prophylaxis - Child	\$26.00
D1201	Topical Application Of Fluoride (Including Prophy)-Child	\$34.00
D1351	Sealant - Per Tooth	\$23.00
D1510	Space Maintainer - Fixed Unilateral	\$120.00
D1515	Space Maintainer - Fixed - Bilateral Type	\$172.00
D1520	Space Maintainer - Removable - Unilateral	\$120.00
D1525	Space Maintainer - Removable - Bilateral	\$172.00
D1550	Recementation Of Space Maintainer	\$26.00
D2110	Amalgam - One Surface, Primary	\$46.00
D2120	Amalgam - Two Surfaces, Primary	\$62.00
D2130	Amalgam - Three Surfaces, Primary	\$73.00
D2131	Amalgam - Four Or More Surfaces, Primary	\$81.00
D2140	Amalgam - One Surface Permanent	\$50.00
D2150	Amalgam - Two Surfaces Permanent	\$63.00
D2160	Amalgam - Three Surfaces Permanent	\$80.00
D2161	Amalgam - Four Or More Surfaces Perm	\$95.00
D2330	Resin - One Surface, Anterior	\$65.00
D2331	Resin - Two Surfaces, Anterior	\$77.00
D2332	Resin - Three Surfaces, Anterior	\$98.00
D2335	Resin - Four Or More Surfaces Or Involving Incisal Angle (Anterior)	\$125.00
D2336	Composite Resin Crown - Anterior - Primary	\$105.00
D2337	Resin-Based Composite Crown, Anterior Permanent	\$105.00
D2380	Resin - One Surface, Posterior - Primary	\$60.00
D2381	Resin - Two Surfaces Posterior - Primary	\$70.00
D2382	Resin - Three Or More Surfaces - Posterior - Primary	\$88.00
D2385	Resin - One Surface Posterior - Permanent	\$70.00
D2386	Resin - Two Surfaces Posterior - Permanent	\$88.00
D2387	Resin - Three Or More Surfaces, Posterior - Permanent	\$110.00
D2388	Resin-Based Composite -Four Or More Surfaces, Posterior Permanent	\$120.00
D2510	Inlay - Metallic - One Surface	\$275.00
D2520	Inlay - Metallic - Two Surfaces	\$370.00

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D2530	Inlay - Metallic - Three Surfaces	\$415.00
D2542	* Onlay - Metallic - Two Surfaces	\$410.00
D2543	* Onlay-Metallic - Three Surfaces	\$430.00
D2544	* Onlay-Metallic - Four Or More Surfaces	\$450.00
D2610	Inlay - Porcelain/Ceramic - One Surface	\$320.00
D2620	Inlay - Porcelain/Ceramic - Two Surfaces	\$405.00
D2630	Inlay - Porcelain/Ceramic - Three Surfaces	\$435.00
D2642	* Onlay- Porcelain/Ceramic - Two Surfaces	\$450.00
D2643	* Onlay-Porcelain/Ceramic - Three Surfaces	\$470.00
D2644	* Onlay-Porcelain/Ceramic - Four Or More Surfaces	\$490.00
D2650	Inlay - Composite/Resin - One Surface	\$275.00
D2651	Inlay - Composite/Resin - Two Surface	\$405.00
D2652	Inlay - Composite/Resin - Three Or More Surfaces	\$435.00
D2662	* Onlay - Composite/Resin - Two Surfaces	\$420.00
D2663	* Onlay - Composite/Resin - Three Surfaces	\$450.00
D2664	* Onlay - Composite/Resin - Four Or More Surfaces	\$470.00
D2740	* Crown - Porcelain/Ceramic Substrate	\$550.00
D2750	* Crown - Porcelain Fused To High Noble Metal	\$550.00
D2751	* Crown - Porcelain Fused To Predominantly Base Metal	\$475.00
D2752	* Crown - Porcelain Fused To Noble Metal	\$485.00
D2780	* Crown - 3/4 Cast High Noble Metal	\$485.00
D2781	* Crown - 3/4 Cast Predominately Base Metal	\$465.00
D2782	* Crown - 3/4 Cast Noble Metal	\$475.00
D2783	* Crown - 3/4 Porcelain/Ceramic (Not Veneers)	\$500.00
D2790	* Crown - Full Cast High Noble Metal	\$500.00
D2791	* Crown - Full Cast Predominantly Base Metal	\$425.00
D2792	* Crown - Full Cast Noble Metal	\$435.00
D2910	Recement Inlay	\$35.00
D2920	Recement Crown	\$35.00
D2930	Prefabricated Stainless Steel Crown - Primary Tooth	\$105.00
D2931	Prefabricated Stainless Steel Crown - Permanent Tooth	\$105.00
D2932	Prefabricated Resin Crown	\$105.00
D2933	Prefabricated Stainless Steel Crown With Resin Window	\$105.00
D2940	Sedative Filling	\$33.00
D2950	* Core Buildup, Including Any Pins	\$115.00
D2951	Pin Retention - Per Tooth, In Addition To Restoration	\$25.00
D2952	* Cast Post & Core In Addition To Crown	\$190.00
D2954	* Prefabricated Post & Core In Addition To Crown	\$130.00
D2962	* Labial Veneer (Porcelain Laminate) - Lab	\$480.00
D2980	Crown Repair - By Report	\$55.00
D3110	Pulp Cap - Direct (Excluding Final Restoration)	\$22.00
D3220	Therapeutic Pulpotomy (Excluding Final Restoration)	\$60.00
D3310	Root Canal Therapy - Anterior (Excluding Final Restoration)	\$330.00
D3320	Root Canal Therapy - Bicuspid (Excluding Final Restoration)	\$400.00
D3330	Root Canal Therapy - Molar (Excluding Final Restoration)	\$510.00
D3346	Retreatment - Anterior	\$330.00
D3347	Retreatment - Bicuspid	\$400.00
D3348	Retreatment - Molar	\$510.00
D3351	Apexification/Recalcification - Initial Visit	\$180.00
D3352	Apexification/Recalcification - Interim Medication Replacement	\$65.00

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D3353	Apexification/Recalcification - Final Visit	\$65.00
D3410	Apicoectomy/Periradicular Surgery - Anterior	\$213.00
D3421	Apicoectomy/Periradicular Surgery - Bicuspid ( First Root)	\$213.00
D3425	Apicoectomy/Periradicular Surgery - Molar (First Root)	\$213.00
D3426	Apicoectomy/Periradicular Surgery Each Addtl Root	\$113.00
D3430	Retrograde Filling - Per Root	\$104.00
D3450	Root Amputation - Per Root	\$138.00
D3920	Hemisection (Including Any Root Removal)	\$144.00
D3950	Canal Preparation & Fitting Of Preformed Dowel Or Post	\$100.00
D4210	* Gingivectomy/Gingivoplasty - Per Quadrant	\$296.00
D4211	* Gingivectomy/Gingivoplasty-Per Tooth	\$74.00
D4220	Gingival Curettage, Surgical, Per Quadrant - By Report	\$150.00
D4240	Gingival Flap, Including Root Planing - Per Quadrant	\$300.00
D4249	Crown Lengthening - Hard/Soft Tissue, By Report	\$270.00
D4250	Mucogingival Surgery - Per Quadrant	\$431.00
D4260	* Osseous Surgery (Including Flap Entry & Closure - Per Quadrant	\$518.00
D4263	* Bone Replacement Graft - Single Site	\$350.00
D4264	* Bone Replacement Graft - Each Additional Site In Quadrant	\$200.00
D4266	Guided Tissue Regeneration - Resorbable Barrier Per Site Per Tooth	\$200.00
D4267	Guided Tissue Regeneration - Nonresorbable Barrier Per Site Per Tooth	\$210.00
D4270	Pedicle Soft Tissue Graft Procedure	\$331.00
D4271	Free Soft Tissue Graft Procedure (Including Donor Site)	\$403.00
D4273	Subepithelial Connective Tissue Graft Procedure	\$435.00
D4341	Periodontal Scaling And Root Planing - Per Quadrant	\$132.00
D4355	Full Mouth Debridement	\$49.00
D4910	Periodontal Maintenance Procedures (Following Active Therapy)	\$69.00
D5110	Complete Denture - Upper	\$650.00
D5120	Complete Denture - Lower	\$650.00
D5130	Immediate Denture - Upper	\$675.00
D5140	Immediate Denture - Lower	\$675.00
D5211	Upper Partial - Resin Base (With Conventional Clasps,Rests & Teeth	\$400.00
D5212	Lower Partial - Resin Base (With Conventional Clasps,Rests & Teeth	\$400.00
D5213	Upper Partial - Cast Metal Base With Resin Saddles	\$780.00
D5214	Lower Partial - Cast Metal Base With Resin Saddles	\$780.00
D5281	Removable Unilateral Partial Denture -1 Piece Cast Metal	\$350.00
D5410	Adjust Complete Denture - Upper	\$32.00
D5411	Adjust Complete Denture - Lower	\$32.00
D5421	Adjust Partial Denture - Upper	\$32.00
D5422	Adjust Partial Denture - Lower	\$32.00
D5510	Repair Broken Complete Denture Base	\$100.00
D5520	Replace Missing Or Broken Teeth - Complete Denture (Each Tooth)	\$65.00
D5610	Repair Resin Saddle Or Base	\$60.00
D5620	Repair Cast Framework	\$100.00
D5630	Repair Or Replace Broken Clasp	\$90.00
D5640	Replace Broken Teeth - Per Tooth	\$65.00
D5650	Add Tooth To Existing Partial Denture	\$100.00
D5660	Add Clasp To Existing Partial Denture	\$113.00
D5710	Rebase Complete Upper Denture	\$250.00
D5711	Rebase Complete Lower Denture	\$250.00
D5720	Rebase Upper Partial Denture	\$200.00

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D5721	Rebase Lower Partial Denture	\$200.00
D5730	Reline Complete Upper Denture (Chairside)	\$115.00
D5731	Reline Complete Lower Denture (Chairside)	\$115.00
D5740	Reline Upper Partial Denture (Chairside)	\$75.00
D5741	Reline Lower Partial Denture (Chairside)	\$75.00
D5750	Reline Complete Upper Denture (Lab)	\$180.00
D5751	Reline Complete Lower Denture (Lab)	\$180.00
D5760	Reline Upper Partial Denture (Lab)	\$180.00
D5761	Reline Lower Partial Denture (Lab)	\$180.00
D6210 *	Pontic - Cast High Noble Metal	\$480.00
D6211 *	Pontic - Cast Predominantly Base Metal	\$405.00
D6212 *	Pontic - Cast Noble Metal	\$415.00
D6240 *	Pontic - Porcelain Fused To High Noble Metal	\$530.00
D6241 *	Pontic - Porcelain Fused To Predominantly Base Metal	\$455.00
D6242 *	Pontic - Porcelain Fused To Noble Metal	\$465.00
D6245	Pontic - Procelain / Ceramic	\$530.00
D6519 *	Inlay / Onlay - Porcelain / Ceramic	\$320.00
D6545 *	Retainer - Cast Metal For Acid Etched Fixed Prosthesis	\$125.00
D6548 *	Retainer - Porcelain/Ceramic For Resin Bonded Fixed Prosthesis	\$150.00
D6740 *	Crown - Porcelain / Ceramic	\$550.00
D6750 *	Crown - Porcelain Fused To High Noble Metal	\$550.00
D6751 *	Crown - Porcelain Fused To Predominantly Base Metal	\$475.00
D6752 *	Crown - Porcelain Fused To Noble Metal	\$485.00
D6780 *	Crown - 3/4 Cast High Noble	\$485.00
D6781 *	Crown 3/4 Cast Predominately Based Metal	\$445.00
D6782 *	Crown 3/4 Noble Metal	\$455.00
D6783 *	Crown 3/4 Porcelain / Ceramic	\$480.00
D6790 *	Crown - Full Cast High Noble Metal	\$500.00
D6791 *	Crown - Full Cast Predominantly Base Metal	\$425.00
D6792 *	Crown - Full Cast Noble Metal	\$435.00
D6930	Recement Bridge	\$45.00
D6970 *	Cast Post & Core In Addition To Bridge Retainer	\$190.00
D6971 *	Cast Post As Part Of Bridge Retainer	\$150.00
D6972 *	Prefabricated Post And Core In Addition To Bridge Retainer	\$130.00
D6973	Core Build-Up Or Retainer, Including Any Pins	\$115.00
D6980	Bridge Repair - By Report	\$120.00
D7110	Oral Surgery Extraction - Single Tooth	\$60.00
D7120	Oral Surgery Extraction - Each Addtl Tooth	\$60.00
D7130	Oral Surgery Root Removal - Exposed Roots	\$60.00
D7210	Surgical Removal Of Erupted Tooth	\$120.00
D7220	Removal Of Impacted Tooth - Soft Tissue	\$160.00
D7230	Removal Of Impacted Tooth - Partially Bony	\$200.00
D7240	Removal Of Impacted Tooth - Completely Bony	\$225.00
D7241 *	Removal Of Impacted Tooth - Completely Bony With Complications	\$290.00
D7250	Surgical Removal Of Residual Tooth Roots - Cutting Procedures	\$120.00
D7260	Oral Antral Fistula Closure	\$276.00
D7270	Tooth Reimplant. And/Or Stabilization Of Accidentally Evulsed Tooth	\$200.00
D7280	Surgical Exposure Of Impacted Or Unerupted Tooth - Ortho	\$200.00
D7281	Surgical Exposure Of Impacted Or Unerupted Tooth To Aid Eruption	\$161.00
D7285	Biopsy Of Oral Tissue - Hard	\$80.00

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D7286	Biopsy Of Oral Tissue - Soft	\$75.00
D7310	Alveoplasty In Conjunction With Extractions - Per Quadrant	\$120.00
D7320	Alveoplasty Not In Conjunction With Extractions - Per Quadrant	\$140.00
D7340	Vestibuloplasty - Ridge Extension (Secondary Epithelialization)	\$230.00
D7350	* Vestibuloplasty - Ridge Extension (Including Soft Tissue Grafts, Etc.)	\$450.00
D7410	Radical Excision - Lesion Diameter Up To 1.25 Cm	\$90.00
D7420	Radical Excision - Lesion Diameter Greater Than 1.25 Cm	\$130.00
D7430	Excision Of Benign Tumor - Lesion Diameter Up To 1.25 Cm	\$138.00
D7431	Excision Of Benign Tumor - Lesion Diameter Greater Than 1.25 Cm	\$230.00
D7440	Excision Of Malignant Tumor - Lesion Diameter Up To 1.25 Cm	\$170.00
D7441	Excision Of Malignant Tumor - Lesion Diameter Greater Than 1.25 Cm	\$275.00
D7450	Removal Of Odontogenic Cyst Or Tumor - Lesion Diameter Up To 1.25 Cm	\$161.00
D7451	Removal Of Odontogenic Cyst Or Tumor - Lesion Diameter Greater Than 1.25 Cm	\$253.00
D7460	Removal Of Nonodontogenic Cyst Or Tumor - Lesion Diameter Up To 1.25 Cm	\$253.00
D7461	Removal Of Nonodontogenic Cyst Or Tumor - Lesion Diameter Greater Than 1.25 Cm	\$299.00
D7465	Destruction Of Lesion(S) By Physical Or Chemical Method, By Report	\$100.00
D7471	Removal Of Exostosis - Maxilla Or Mandible	\$260.00
D7510	Incision And Drainage Of Abscess - Intraoral Soft Tissue	\$65.00
D7520	Incision And Drainage Of Abscess - Extraoral Soft Tissue	\$95.00
D7530	Removal Of Foreign Body, Skin, Or Subcutaneous Areolar Tissue	\$130.00
D7540	Removal Of Reaction - Producing Foreign Bodies - Musculo System	\$140.00
D7550	Sequestrectomy For Osteomyelitis	\$138.00
D7560	Maxillary Sinusotomy For Removal Of Tooth Fragment Or Foreign Body	\$250.00
D7610	Maxilla - Open Reduction (Teeth Immobilized If Present)	\$902.00
D7620	Maxilla - Closed Reduction (Teeth Immobilized If Present)	\$646.00
D7630	Mandible - Open Reduction (Teeth Immobilized If Present)	\$902.00
D7640	Mandible - Closed Reduction (Teeth Immobilized If Present)	\$646.00
D7650	Malar And/Or Zygomatic Arch-Open Reduction	\$902.00
D7660	Malar And/Or Zygomatic Arch-Closed Reduction	\$646.00
D7670	Alveolus-Stabilization Of Teeth, Open Reduction Splinting	\$646.00
D7680	Facial Bones - Complicated Reduction With Fixation And Multiple Surgical Approaches	\$200.00
D7710	Maxilla - Open Reduction	\$1,270.00
D7720	Maxilla - Closed Reduction	\$953.00
D7730	Mandible - Open Reduction	\$1,270.00
D7740	Mandible - Closed Reduction	\$953.00
D7750	Malar And/Or Zygomatic Arch - Open Reduction	\$1,270.00
D7760	Malar And/Or Zygomatic Arch - Closed Reduction	\$902.00
D7770	Alveolus - Stabilization Of Teeth, Open Reduction Splinting	\$953.00
D7780	Facial Bones - Complicated Reduction With Fixation And Multiple Surg Approaches	\$1,400.00
D7910	Suture Of Recent Small Wounds Up To 5 Cm	\$50.00
D7911	Complicated Suture - Up To 5 Cm	\$78.00
D7912	Complicated Suture - Greater Than 5 Cm	\$185.00
D7920	Skin Grafts (Identify Defect Covered, Location And Type Of Graft)	\$80.00
D7940	Osteoplasty - For Orthognathic Deformities	\$1,785.00
D7941	Osteotomy - Ramus, Closed	\$902.00
D7942	Osteotomy - Ramus, Opened	\$902.00
D7943	Osteotomy - Ramus, Open With Bone Graft	\$1,025.00
D7944	Osteotomy - Segmented Or Subapical - Per Sextant Or Quadrant	\$600.00
D7945	Osteotomy - Body Of Mandible	\$902.00
D7950	Osseous, Osteoperiosteal, Periosteal, Or Cartilage Graft Of The Mandible	\$1,200.00

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PROC: CODE:	DESCRIPTION	ALLOWANCE
D7955	Repair Of Maxillofacial Soft And Hard Tissue Defects	\$1,200.00
D7960	Frenulectomy - Separate Procedure	\$150.00
D7970	Excision Of Hyperplastic Tissue-Per Arch	\$167.00
D7971	Excision Of Pericoronal Gingiva	\$57.00
D7980	Sialolithotomy	\$270.00
D7981	Excision Of Salivary Gland	\$180.00
D7982	Sialodochoplasty	\$410.00
D7983	Closure Of Salivary Fistula	\$240.00
D8010	Limited Orthodontic Treatment Of Primary Dentition	\$1,000.00
D8020	Limited Orthodontic Treatment Of Transitional Dentition	\$1,000.00
D8030	Limited Orthodontic Treatment Of Adolescent Dentition	\$1,000.00
D8040	Limited Orthodontic Treatment Of Adult Dentition	\$1,200.00
D8050	Interceptive Orthodontic Treatment Of The Primary Dentition	\$1,500.00
D8060	Interceptive Orthodontic Treatment Of The Transitional Dentition	\$1,500.00
D8070	Comprehensive Ortho Treatment Of The Transitional Dentition	\$3,400.00
D8080	Comprehensive Ortho Treatment Of The Adolescent Dentition	\$4,100.00
D8090	Comprehensive Ortho Treatment Of The Adult Dentition	\$4,800.00
D8210	Removable Appliance Therapy	\$1,000.00
D8220	Fixed Appliance Therapy	\$1,200.00
D8650	Treatment For The Atypical Or Extended Skeletal Case	\$5,000.00
D8680	Orthodontic Retention	\$300.00
D9110	Palliative (Emergency) Treatment Of Dental Pain - Minor Procedures	\$38.00
D9220	General Anesthesia	\$200.00
D9420	Hospital Call	\$65.00
D9940	Occlusal Guards By Report	\$150.00

**NOTES:**

**"BR" = BY REPORT**

**\* = PROCEDURE REQUIRES AN X-RAY**

**When separate fees are reported for an examination on the same day as a root canal or surgical procedure, the examination will be denied as a related procedure to the surgery. No payment will be made for the examination.**