



Medical Paper Claims Submission Rejections and Resolutions

The preferred and most efficient way for fast turnaround and claims accuracy is to submit medical claims electronically to Health Net of California, Inc., Health Net Community Solutions, Inc. and Health Net Life Insurance Company (Health Net). However, when additional documentation or attachments are required, paper claims will be accepted. The following information applies to medical paper claims and does not apply to pharmacy paper claims. All paper claims sent to the Health Net Claims Department must first pass specific edits prior to acceptance. Claim records that do not pass these edits are invalid and will be rejected or denied. Claims missing the necessary requirements are not considered clean claims and will be returned to providers with a written notice describing the reason for return. The following information will assist providers in submitting clean paper claims. The following topics are outlined and addressed in this provider update:

- Acceptable forms
- Claims rejection reasons and their resolutions
- Mandatory line items for claims submission
- Paper claims submission address change (reminder)
 - Using correct Health Net entity name
- Appendix A – CMS-1500 (02/12) form billing instructions
- Appendix B – CMS-1450 (UB-04) billing instructions

ACCEPTABLE FORMS

As a reminder Health Net is required to comply with requirements for providing complete claims information to regulatory agencies. Accordingly, claims must reflect complete and accurate data in all the required fields on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)-1500 or UB-04 original Flint OCR Red, J6983 ink claim forms in order to be accepted as complete or clean claims. Nonstandard forms include any that have been downloaded from the Internet or photocopied, which do not have the same measurements, margins, and colors as commercially available printed forms. Nonstandard forms will be rejected upon initial receive as non-clean claims. Providers must adhere to the claims submission requirements below to ensure that submitted claims have all the required information, which results in timely claims processing.

THIS UPDATE APPLIES TO CALIFORNIA PROVIDERS:

- Physicians
- Participating Physician Groups
- Hospitals
- Ancillary Providers

LINES OF BUSINESS:

- HMO/POS/HSP
- PPO
- EPO
- Medicare Advantage (HMO)
- Medi-Cal
 - Kern
 - Los Angeles
 - Molina
 - Riverside
 - Sacramento
 - San Bernardino
 - San Diego
 - San Joaquin
 - Stanislaus
 - Tulare

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EnhancedCare PPO (IFP)

1-844-463-8188

provider.healthnetcalifornia.com

EnhancedCare PPO (SBG)

1-844-463-8188

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Health Net Employer Group HMO, POS, HSP, PPO, & EPO

1-800-641-7761

provider.healthnet.com

IFP – Community Care HMO, PPO, PureCare HSP, PureCare One EPO

1-888-926-2164

provider.healthnetcalifornia.com

Medicare (individual)

1-800-929-9224

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Medicare (employer group)

1-800-929-9224

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Medi-Cal – 1-800-675-6110

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| Acceptable | Not acceptable/will be rejected |
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Professional Claims

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| CMS-1500 (02/12) form Completed in accordance with the guidelines in the National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) 1500 Claim Form Reference Instruction Manual Version 5.0 7/17 at www.nucc.org | Any other form will be rejected with a letter sent to the provider indicating the reason for rejection |
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Institutional Claims

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| UB-04 form. The form must be completed in accordance with the National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) Official UB-04 Data Specifications Manual 2018 at www.nubc.org | Any other form will be rejected with a letter sent to the provider indicating the reason for rejection |
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All Claims

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flint optical character recognition (OCR) Red, J6983 (or exact match) ink form 2. Required original red form with the backer instructions 3. Typed in black ink 4. 10 or 12 point 5. Times New Roman font | <p>Any of the following formats will be rejected.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submitted on black and white or forms other than CMS-1500 (02/12) and UB-04 2. Handwritten 3. Highlighted, italics, bold text, or staples for multiple page submissions 4. Copies of the form |
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Health Net does not supply claim forms to providers. Providers should purchase these forms from a supplier of their choice.

CLAIMS REJECTION REASONS AND RESOLUTIONS

The following are some claims rejection reasons, challenges and possible resolutions.

| Reject code | Reject reason | Requirements | CMS-1500 or UB-04 |
|-------------|---|--|---------------------------------|
| 01 | Member's DOB is missing or invalid | Enter the patient's 8-digit date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY) | CMS-1500 box 3 UB-04 box 10 |
| 02 | Incomplete or invalid member information | Enter the patient's Health Net member identification (ID) for Commercial and Medicare or Client Identification Number (CIN) for Medi-Cal. Social Security number (SSN) should not be used. Check eligibility online, electronically, or refer to the patient's current ID card to determine ID numbers | CMS-1500 box 1a UB-04 box 60 |
| 06 | Missing/invalid tax ID | Include complete 9-character tax identification number (TIN) | CMS-1500 box 25 UB-04 box 5 |
| 17 | Diagnosis indicator is missing POA indicator is not valid DRG code is not valid | <p>Ensure 9/0 ("9" for ICD-9 or "0" for ICD-10) appears in field 66 for all claims. Ensure present on admission (POA) indicators are valid when billed. Ensure a valid DRG code is used in field 71. POA valid values are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y – Diagnosis was present at time of inpatient admission. • N – Diagnosis was not present at time of inpatient admission. • Leave blank if cannot be determined | UB-04 box 66-70 UB-04 box 71 |

| Reject code | Reject reason | Requirements | CMS-1500 or UB-04 |
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| 75 | The claim(s) submitted has missing, illegible or invalid value for anesthesia minutes | When box 24 is completed, then box 24G must be completed as well | CMS-1500 box 24D and 24G |
| 76 | Original claim number and frequency code required | Resubmission code is required for all corrected claims. If resubmission code is 6, 7, or 8 (field 22 on the CMS-1500 and field 4 on the UB-04), the original claim number is required (field 22 on CMS-1500 and field 64 on UB-04) | CMS-1500 box 22 UB-04 box 4 and 64 |
| 77 | Type of bill or place of service invalid or missing | Enter the appropriate type of bill (TOB) code as specified by the NUBC UB-04 Uniform Billing Manual minus the leading "0" (zero). A leading "0" is not needed. Digits should be reflected as follows: 1st digit – Indicating the type of facility 2nd digit – Indicating the type of care 3rd digit – Indicating the bill sequence (frequency code) | UB-04 box 4 |
| 87 | One or more of the REV codes submitted is invalid or missing | Include complete 3–4 character revenue code. Drop leading 0 if sending only 3 characters | UB-04 box 42 |
| 92 | Missing or invalid NPI | Enter provider's 10-character National Provider Identifier (NPI) ID | CMS-1500 box 24J and 33A UB-04 box 56 |
| A5 | NDC or UPIN information missing/invalid | Providers must bill the UPIN qualifier, number, quantity, and type or National Drug Code (NDC) qualifier, number, quantity, and unit/basis of measure. If any of these elements are missing, the claim will reject | CMS-1500 box 24D UB-04 box 43 |
| A7 | Invalid/missing ambulance point of pick-up ZIP code | When box 24 D is completed, include the pickup/drop off address in attachments | CMS-1500 box 24 or box 32. Medicare claims require a point of pick (POP) ZIP in box 23 in addition to the addresses in 24 shaded area or box 32 |
| A9 | Provider name and address required at all levels | Include complete billing provider address including city, state and ZIP code | CMS-1500 box 33 UB-04 box 1 |
| C8 | Valid POA required for all DX fields | Do not include the POA of 1. The valid values for this field are Y or N or blank (for description see Reject code 17) | UB-04 box 67–67Q and 72A–72C |

| Reject Code | Reject Reason | Requirements | CMS-1500 or UB-04 |
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| B7 | Review NUCC guidelines for proper billing of the CMS-1500 versions (08/05) and (02/12). Claims will be rejected if data is not submitted and/or formatted appropriately | Only CMS-1500 02/12 version is accepted | N/A |
| C6 | Other Insurance fields 9, 9a, 9d, and 11d are missing appropriate data | If the member has other health insurance, box 9, 9a and 9d must be populated, and box 11D must be marked as yes. If this is not provided, the claim will be rejected | CMS-1500 box 9, 9a, 9d and 11d |
| AV | Patient's Reason For Visit should not be used when claim does not involve outpatient visits | Include patient reason for visit on all outpatient claims | UB-04 box 70a, b, c |
| HP | ICD-10 is mandated for this date of service | Submit with the ICD indicator of 9/0 on both UB-04 and CMS-1500 claim forms according to the 5010 Guidelines requirement to bill this information. (for description see Reject code 17) | CMS-1500 box 21 UB-04 box 66 |
| RE | Black/white, handwriting or nonstandard format | Use proper CMS-1500 or UB-04 form typed in black ink in 10 or 12 point Times New Roman font | N/A |

MANDATORY ITEMS FOR CLAIMS SUBMISSION

The attached Appendix A – CMS-1500 Billing Instructions on page 6 and Appendix B – UB-04 Billing Instructions on page 10 provide the mandatory items for both claim forms. For complete claims submission instructions, providers can refer to the Health Net provider operations manual > *Claims and Provider Reimbursement* > *Billing Submission* > *Claims Submission Requirements*.

PAPER CLAIMS SUBMISSION ADDRESS CHANGE

As a reminder, effective January 1, 2018, the addresses to submit paper claims were changed. All paper claims must be submitted to the addresses below with the exact entity names as provided.

Using correct Health Net entity name

If claims are submitted to the previous Lexington, KY address using inappropriate entity names other than what is provided below, the United States Postal Service (USPS) will return the claim back to the sender.

Additionally, USPS has been forwarding claims received at the Lexington, KY address to the correct address. Starting December 31, 2018, USPS will discontinue automatic forwarding of claims. Claims received at the previous Lexington, KY address starting December 31, 2018, will be returned to the sender via the USPS.

Providers must submit claims to the correct address using the appropriate entity names as identified below.

| Line of business | Paper claims address |
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| MEDICARE ADVANTAGE | Health Net of California, Inc. Medicare Claims PO Box 9030 Farmington, MO 63640-9030 |
| MEDI-CAL | Health Net Community Solutions, Inc. Medi-Cal Claims PO Box 9020 Farmington, MO 63640-9020 |
| HMO/POS/HSP, PPO, & EPO | Health Net of California, Inc. (and/or) Health Net Life Insurance Company Commercial Claims PO Box 9040 Farmington, MO 63640-9040 |

MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PHARMACY PAPER CLAIMS

Medicare Advantage (MA) pharmacy paper claims may be submitted to:

Health Net of California, Inc.
Attention: Pharmacy Claims
P.O. Box 419069
Rancho Cordova, CA 95741-9069

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions regarding the information contained in this update, contact the Health Net Provider Services Center by email at provider_services@healthnet.com within 60 days, by telephone or through the Health Net provider website as listed in the right-hand column of page one.

APPENDIX A – CMS-1500 BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

| Field number | Field description | Required, conditional or not required |
|--------------|---|---|
| 1 | Insurance program identification | Required |
| 1A | Insured identification (ID) number | Required |
| 2 | Patient's name (last name, first name, middle initial) | Required |
| 3 | Patient's birth date and sex | Required |
| 4 | Insured's name | Conditional – Needed if different than patient |
| 5 | Patient's address (number, street, city, state, ZIP code) Telephone number (include area code) | Conditional |
| 6 | Patient's relationship to insured | Conditional – Always mark to indicate self if the same |
| 7 | Insured's address (number, street, city, state, ZIP code) Telephone number (include area code) | Conditional |
| 8 | Reserved for NUCC | Not required |
| 9 | Other insured's name (last name, first name, middle initial) | Conditional refers to someone other than the patient. REQUIRED if patient is covered by another insurance plan |
| 9A | Other insured's policy or group number | Conditional REQUIRED if field 9 is completed. Enter the policy for group number of the other insurance plan |
| 9B | Reserved for NUCC | Not required |
| 9C | Reserved for NUCC | Not required |
| 9D | Insurance plan name or program name | Conditional REQUIRED if field 9 is completed |
| 10 A, B, C | Is patient's condition related to | Required |
| 10D | Claims codes (designated by NUCC) | Conditional |
| 11 | Insured policy or FECA number | Conditional REQUIRED when other insurance is available |
| 11A | Insured date of birth and sex | Conditional |

| Field number | Field description | Required, conditional or not required |
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| 11B | Other claims ID (designated by NUCC) | Conditional |
| 11C | Insurance plan name or program number | Conditional |
| 11D | Is there another health benefit plan? | Required |
| 12 | Patient's or authorized person's signature | Conditional – Enter "Signature on File," "SOF," or the actual legal signature |
| 13 | Insured's or authorized person's signature | Not required |
| 14 | Date of current: Illness (first symptom) or injury (accident) or pregnancy (LMP) | Conditional |
| 15 | If patient has same or similar illness, give first date | Conditional |
| 16 | Dates patient unable to work in current occupation | Conditional |
| 17 | Name of referring physician or other source | Conditional – Enter the name of the referring physician or professional (first name, middle initial, last name, and credentials) |
| 17A | ID number of referring physician | Conditional REQUIRED if field 17 is completed |
| 17B | NPI of referring physician | Conditional REQUIRED if field 17 is completed. If unable to obtain referring NPI, servicing NPI may be used |
| 18 | Hospitalization on dates related to current services | Conditional |
| 19 | Reserved for local use – new form: Additional claim information | Conditional |
| 20 | Outside lab/charges | Conditional |
| 21 | Diagnosis or nature of illness or injury (related items A–L to item 24E by line). New form allows up to 12 diagnoses and ICD indicator | Required – Include the ICD indicator |
| 22 | Resubmission code/original REF | Conditional – For resubmissions or adjustments, enter the original claim number of the original claim |

| Field number | Field description | Required, conditional or not required |
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| 23 | Prior authorization number or Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) number | If authorization, then conditional If CLIA, then required If both, submit the CLIA number Enter the authorization or referral number. Refer to the provider operations manual for information on services requiring referral and/or prior authorization. CLIA number for CLIA waived or CLIA certified laboratory services |
| 24 A-G SHADED | Supplemental information | Conditional – The shaded top portion of each service claim line is used to report supplemental information for: NDC Narrative description of unspecified codes Contract rate |
| 24A UNSHADED | Dates of service | Required |
| 24B UNSHADED | Place of service | Required |
| 24C UNSHADED | EMG | Not required |
| 24D UNSHADED | Procedures, services or supplies CPT/HCPCS modifier | Required – Ensure NDC or UPIN is included if applicable |
| 24 E UNSHADED | Diagnosis code | Required |
| 24 F UNSHADED | Charges | Required |
| 24 G UNSHADED | Days or units | Required |
| 24 H SHADED | EPSDT (family planning) | Conditional – Leave blank or enter “Y” if the services were performed as a result of an Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) referral |
| 24 H UNSHADED | EPSDT (family planning) | Conditional – Enter the appropriate qualifier for EPSDT visit |
| 24 I SHADED | ID qualifier | Required |
| 24 J SHADED | Non-NPI provider ID# | Required |
| 24 J UNSHADED | NPI provider ID | Required |
| 25 | Federal tax ID number and SSN/EIN | Required |
| 26 | Patient’s account NO | Conditional – Enter the provider’s billing account number |

| Field number | Field description | Required, conditional or not required |
|--------------|---|--|
| 27 | Accept assignment? | Conditional – Enter an X in the YES box. Submission of a claim for reimbursement of services provided to a recipient using state funds indicates the provider accepts assignment |
| 28 | Total charge | Required |
| 29 | Amount paid | Conditional REQUIRED when another carrier is the primary payer. Enter the payment received from the primary payer prior to invoicing |
| 30 | Balance due | Conditional REQUIRED when field 29 is completed. Enter the balance due (total charges minus the amount of payment received from the primary payer) |
| 31 | Signature of physician or supplier including degrees or credentials | Required |
| 32 | Service facility location information | Conditional REQUIRED if the location where services were rendered is different from the billing address listed in field 33 |
| 32A | NPI – Services rendered | Conditional <u>Typical providers ONLY</u> : REQUIRED if the location where services were rendered is different from the billing address listed in field 33 |
| 32B | Other provider ID | Conditional REQUIRED if the location where services were rendered is different from the billing address listed in field 33 |
| 33 | Billing provider INFO & PH# | Required |
| 33A | Group billing NPI | Required |
| 33B | Group billing other ID | Required |

APPENDIX B – UB-04 BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

| Field number | Field description | Required, conditional or not required |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | Unlabeled field | Required |
| 2 | Unlabeled field | Not required |
| 3A | Patient control no | Not required |
| 3B | Medical record number | Required |
| 4 | Type of bill | Required |
| 5 | Fed tax no | Required |
| 6 | Statement covers period from/through | Required |
| 7 | Unlabeled field | Not required |
| 8A | Patient name | Not required |
| 8B | Patient address | Required |
| 9 | Patient address | Required – Except line 9e county code |
| 10 | Birthdate | Required – Ensure DOB of patient is entered and not the insured) |
| 11 | Sex | Required |
| 12 | Admission date | Required |
| 13 | Admission hour | Required |
| 14 | Admission type | Required |
| 15 | Admission source | Required |
| 16 | Discharge hour | Conditional – Enter the time using two-digit military times (00-23) for the time of the inpatient or outpatient discharge |
| 17 | Patient status | Required |
| 18-28 | Condition codes | Conditional REQUIRED when condition codes are used to identify conditions relating to the bill that may affect payer processing |
| 29 | Accident state | Not required |

| Field number | Field description | Required, conditional or not required |
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| 30 | Unlabeled field | Not required |
| 31-34 A-B | Occurrence code and occurrence date | Conditional REQUIRED when occurrence codes are used to identify events relating to the bill that may affect payer processing |
| 35-36 A-B | Occurrence SPAN code and occurrence date | Conditional REQUIRED when occurrence codes are used to identify events relating to the bill that may affect payer processing |
| 37 | Unlabeled field | Conditional REQUIRED for resubmissions or adjustments. Enter the DCN (document control number) of the original claim |
| 38 | Responsible party name and address | Not required |
| 39-41 A-D | Value codes and amounts | Conditional REQUIRED when value codes are used to identify events relating to the bill that may affect payer processing |
| 42 LINES 1-22 | REV CD | Required |
| 42 LINE 23 | Page ____ of ____, Creation Date, Totals (for both columns) | Required |
| 43 LINES 1-22 | Description | Required |
| 43 LINE 23 | PAGE ___ OF ___ | Conditional – Enter the number of pages. (Limited to 4 pages per claim) |
| 44 LINES 1-22 | HCPCS/rates | Conditional REQUIRED for outpatient claims when an appropriate CPT/HCPCS code exists for the service line revenue code billed |
| 45 LINES 1-22 | Service date | Conditional REQUIRED on all outpatient claims. Enter the date of service for each service line billed (MMDDYY). Multiple dates of service may not be combined for outpatient claims |
| 45 LINE 23 | Creation date | Required |
| 46 LINES 1-22 | Service units | Required |

| Field number | Field description | Required, conditional or not required |
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| 47 LINES 1–22 | Total charges | Required |
| 47 LINE 23 | Totals | Required |
| 48 LINES 1–22 | Noncovered charges | Conditional – Enter the noncovered charges included in field 47 for the revenue code listed in field 42 of the service line. Do not list negative amounts |
| 48 LINE 23 | Totals | Conditional – Enter the total noncovered charges for all service lines |
| 49 | Unlabeled field | Not required |
| 50 A–C | Payer | Required |
| 51 A–C | Health plan identification number | Not required |
| 52 A–C | REL information | Required |
| 53 | ASG. BEN. | Required |
| 54 | Prior payments | Conditional – Enter the amount received from the primary payer on the appropriate line when Health Net is listed as secondary or tertiary |
| 55 | EST amount due | Not required |
| 56 | National Provider Identifier or provider ID | Required |
| 57 | Other provider ID | Required |
| 58 | Insured's name | Required |
| 59 | Patient relationship | Not required |
| 60 | Insured unique ID | Required |
| 61 | Group name | Not required |
| 62 | Insurance group no. | Not required |
| 63 | Treatment authorization code | Conditional – Enter the prior authorization or referral when services require precertification |
| 64 | Document control number | Conditional – Enter the 12-character original claim number of the paid/denied claim when submitting a replacement or void on the corresponding A, B, C line reflecting Payer from field 50 |
| 65 | Employer name | Not required |

| Field number | Field description | Required, conditional or not required |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 66 | DX version qualifier | Required |
| 67 | Principal diagnosis code | Required |
| 67 A–Q | Other diagnosis code | Conditional – Enter additional diagnosis or conditions that coexist at the time of admission |
| 68 | Present on admission indicator | Required |
| 69 | Admitting diagnosis code | Required |
| 70 | Patient reason code | Required |
| 71 | PPS/DRG code | Not required |
| 72 A, B, C | External cause code | Not required |
| 73 | Unlabeled field | Not required |
| 74 | Principal procedure code/date | Conditional – Enter the ICD-10 procedure code that identifies the principal/primary procedure performed. Do not enter the decimal between the 2nd or 3rd digits of code; it is implied. DATE: Enter the date the principal procedure was performed (MMDDYY) |
| 74 A–E | Other procedure code date | Conditional REQUIRED on inpatient claims when a procedure is performed during the date span of the bill |
| 75 | Unlabeled field | Not required |
| 76 | Attending physician | Required |
| 77 | Operating physician | Conditional REQUIRED when a surgical procedure is performed. Enter the NPI and name of the physician in charge of the patient care |
| 78 & 79 | Other physician | Conditional |
| 80 | Remarks | Not required |
| 81 | CC | Required |
| 82 | Attending physician | Required |