

New York State UB04 Billing Guidelines

HOME HEALTH SERVICES

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eMedNY is the name of the electronic New York State Medicaid system. The eMedNY system allows New York Medicaid providers to submit claims and receive payments for Medicaid-covered services provided to eligible members.

eMedNY offers several innovative technical and architectural features, facilitating the adjudication and payment of claims and providing extensive support and convenience for its users.

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For eMedNY Billing Guideline questions, please contact the eMedNY Call Center 1-800-343-9000.

1. Purpose Statement

The purpose of this document is to augment the General Billing Guidelines for institutional claims with the NYS Medicaid specific requirements and expectations for the Home Health services.

For providers new to NYS Medicaid, it is required to read the General Institutional Billing Guidelines available at www.emedny.org or by clicking: <u>General Institutional Billing Guidelines</u>.

2. Claims Submission

Home Health providers can submit their claims to NYS Medicaid in electronic or paper formats.

2.1 Electronic Claims

Home Health providers who choose to submit their Medicaid claims electronically are required to use the HIPAA 837 Institutional (837I) transaction.

2.2 Paper Claims

Home Health providers who choose to submit their claims on paper forms must use the National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) UB-04 claim form.

To view a sample Home Health UB-04 claim form, see Appendix A. The displayed claim form is a sample and is for illustration purposes only.

2.3 Home Health Services Billing Instructions

This subsection of the Billing Guidelines covers the specific NYS Medicaid billing requirements for Home Health providers. Although the instructions that follow are based on the UB-04 paper claim form, they are also intended as a guideline for electronic billers to find out what information they need to provide in their claims. For further electronic claim submission information, refer to the eMedNY 5010 Companion Guide which is available at www.emedny.org by clicking: eMedNY Transaction Information Standard Companion Guide CAQH - CORE CG X12.

It is important that providers adhere to the instructions outlined below. Claims that do not conform to the eMedNY requirements as described throughout this document may be rejected, pended, or denied.

2.3.1 UB-04 Claim Form Field Instructions

Serv. Units (Form Locator 46)

837I Ref: Loop2400 SV205

If billing for more than one unit of service, enter the number of units on the same line where a Revenue Code other than Revenue Code 0001 was entered in Form Locator 42. For determining the number of units, follow the guidelines below.

Hour-based Rate

If the rate is based on one-hour service, enter the number of hours that reflect the total of long term home health care time being claimed. The service units must be reported as full units only. Partial hours of service must be rounded to the nearest whole hour. In situations where the total amount of service rendered is less than 30 minutes, one (1) hour of service may be claimed.

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For example, 4 units would be used for services rendered in 3 hours and 30 minutes. 3 units would be used for services rendered in 3 hours and 25 minutes. 1 unit would be used for services rendered in 15 minutes.

3. Remittance Advice

The Remittance Advice is an electronic, PDF or paper statement issued by eMedNY that contains the status of claim transactions processed by eMedNY during a specific reporting period. Statements contain the following information:

- A listing of all claims (identified by several items of information submitted on the claim) that have entered the computerized processing system during the corresponding cycle
- The status of each claim (denied, paid or pended) after processing
- The eMedNY edits (errors) that resulted in a claim denied or pended
- Subtotals and grand totals of claims and dollar amounts
- Other pertinent financial information such as recoupment, negative balances, etc.

The General Remittance Advice Guidelines contains information on selecting a remittance advice format, remittance sort options, and descriptions of the paper Remittance Advice layout. This document is available at www.emedny.org by clicking: <u>General Remittance Billing Guidelines</u>

APPENDIX A CLAIM SAMPLES

The eMedNY Billing Guideline Appendix A: Claim Samples contains images of claims with sample data.

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