

Doula Billing

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Housekeeping

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- Questions can also be typed in the chat.
- A PDF version of these slides will be emailed to you afterward.



Introduction

Medicaid and Doulas

Doulas can become Medicaid providers in the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) medical programs.

Doula services are covered under the Medicaid fee-for-service (FFS) program and the HealthChoice Illinois MCOs (such as Molina).

In accordance with [**Public Act 102-0004**](#), HFS pursued coverage of doula services with a State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted to the Federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). This SPA was approved with a coverage effective date of February 1, 2024.



Doula Covered Services

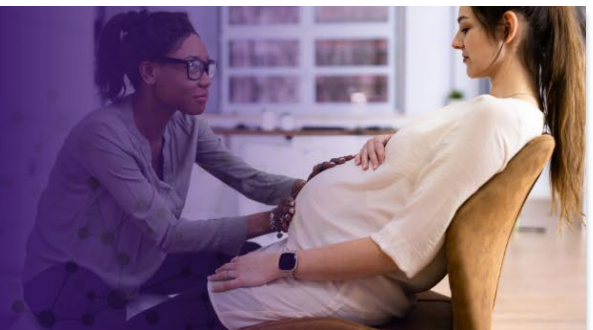
- Medicaid coverage for doula services includes the period throughout pregnancy, birth, and postpartum experiences of up to one (1) year
- Covered doula support services include:
 - Perinatal counseling, education, and supports including newborn care
 - Development of a birth plan
 - Support during labor and delivery
 - Care coordination with available community-based services
 - Attendance at clinician visits
 - Emotional and physical support
 - Visits to assist with basic infant care.

Certification

Doula Program

- Doulas **must** obtain a certificate from the Illinois Medicaid-Certified Doula Program, being administered by the Southern Illinois University (SIU) School of Medicine, **prior to** completing the Medicaid enrollment process with HFS.
- This program leverages national and Illinois-based training courses. SIU will **not** charge any fees to doulas.
- Doulas are encouraged to begin the certification process that is being administered by the SIU School of Medicine if they have not already done so.

**Illinois Medicaid-Certified
Doula Program**



Doula Program

- Certification information is on the SIU website at [Illinois Medicaid-Certified Doula Program | SIU School of Medicine \(siumed.edu\)](https://www.siumed.edu/illinois-medicaid-certified-doula-program). From this main page, doulas may review:
 - [Pathways and Requirements](#): Select either the Training Program Pathway or Legacy Pathway and review the requirements to apply.
 - [How to Apply](#): See a list of required application items, download the handbook, and submit your application via email, mail, or online.



Doula Program

- Once a doula becomes certified through SIU, they will be issued a certificate confirming that all applicable requirements have been met.
 - It has a unique certification number tied to the doula, with an effective date and expiration date.
 - The certificate must be uploaded during the provider enrollment process with HFS.
- The certification is valid for three years, after which the doula must recertify through SIU and submit proof of recertification to HFS.
- Questions regarding certification may be directed to the SIU School of Medicine at doulacertification@siumed.edu.

Medicaid Enrollment

Enrollment Through HFS

- Doula services are reimbursable to certified doulas enrolled in the [Illinois Medicaid Program Advanced Cloud Technology](#) (IMPACT) provider enrollment system.
- Doulas should review the IMPACT [Account Activation Instructions for New External IMPACT Users](#).
- IMPACT will also provide the doula with a Medicaid ID number.



Provider Types

In IMPACT, a doula may select an enrollment type of either:

- **Rendering/servicing provider**—An individual provider who will be rendering services to Medicaid members but will not be submitting claims directly to the state for reimbursement. Enrolling as a rendering provider requires that the provider associate with a group practice, or Facility Agency Organization (FAO) as a billing provider in the IMPACT system and would not allow the provider to bill for themselves.
- **Regular individual/sole proprietor**—A provider that owns their own practice. A sole proprietor may receive payments directly or associate themselves with billing providers and/or billing agents. Providers enrolled as a sole proprietor can still also associate with a group practice or FAO as the billing provider(s) and they may bill on your behalf, but this is optional. The provider can use this enrollment option to work as part of an organization and/or bill for yourself.
- You will work with IMPACT on this during enrollment.

National Provider Identifier (NPI)

- Doulas **must** have a National Provider Identifier (NPI) to enroll.
- Information about obtaining an NPI is located on the [CMS website](#).



Enrollment Assistance

The Medicaid Technical Assistance Center (MTAC), in partnership with HFS, has prepared enhanced onboarding educational materials and support to aid doulas in the enrollment process. This includes:

- Medicaid provider overview specifically for doulas.
- Obtaining a National Provider Identifier (NPI).
- Enrollment in IMPACT, the Illinois Medicaid provider enrollment system.



MTAC

Medicaid Technical
Assistance Center

Enrollment Assistance

- Doulas may also contact MTAC for technical assistance support at mtac.maternalhealth@uillinois.edu.
- To schedule a MEDI billing training, contact the Bureau of Professional and Ancillary Services at (877) 782-5565 for FFS claims.



**Medicaid Technical
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APRNs and Clinics

- **Note regarding advanced practice registered nurses:** If you are an advanced practice registered nurse who is also a doula, you can bill using Evaluation & Management (E/M) codes and do **not** need to enroll under the new provider type.
- **Note regarding clinics:** Federally Qualified Health Centers, Rural Health Clinics, and Encounter Rate Clinics will be allowed to bill practitioner claims (instead of medical encounters). Doula services **must** be billed under the enrolled rendering doula's NPI, with payment directed to the clinic/center's corporate NPI.



Joining the Molina Network

Contracting With Us

- Contact the Molina Provider Relations Manager for your location:
 - For Cook County, Detra Alexander
Detra.Alexander@MolinaHealthcare.com
 - For all other counties, Tammy Gosslin
Tammy.Gosslin@MolinaHealthcare.com
- Have your W-9 and NPI ready.
- Your dedicated PRM will guide you through the details.



Medicaid Access to Timely Appointments

Medical Appointment Types	Standard
Routine preventive care	Within five (5) weeks from the date of request
Routine preventive care for infant under 6 months of age	Within two (2) weeks from the date of request
Routine, symptomatic, but not deemed serious	Within three (3) weeks from the date of request
Routine, symptomatic, not deemed serious, but requires medical attention	Within seven (7) days from the date of request
Urgent care	Within 24 hours
After-hours care	24 hours/day 7 days/week availability
Specialty care (high volume)	Within three (3) weeks from the date of request (for complaints not deemed serious)
Specialty care (high impact)	Within three (3) weeks from the date of request (for complaints not deemed serious)
Urgent specialty care	Within 24 hours
Initial prenatal visit—first trimester	Within two (2) weeks from the date of request
Initial prenatal visit—second trimester	Within one (1) week from the date of request
Initial prenatal visit—third trimester	Within three (3) days from the date of request
Behavioral Health Appointment Types	Standard
Life-threatening emergency	Immediately
Non-life threatening emergency	Within six (6) hours
Urgent care	Within 24 hours
Initial routine care visit	Within 14 business days
Follow-up routine care visit	Within 30 calendar days

Marketplace Access to Timely Appointments

Medical Appointment Types	Standard
Routine preventive care	Within 30 calendar days
Routine preventive care for infants under 6 months of age	Within 2 weeks
Routine, symptomatic, but not deemed serious	Within 7 calendar days
Urgent care	Within 24 hours
After-hours/emergency care	24/7 year-round
Specialty care (high-volume)	Within 20 to 30 calendar days
Specialty care (high-impact)	Within 20 to 30 calendar days
Urgent specialty care	Within 24 hours
Initial prenatal visit—first trimester	Within 2 weeks
Initial prenatal visit—second trimester	Within 1 week
Initial prenatal visit—third trimester	Within 3 days
Behavioral Health Appointment Types	Standard
Life-threatening emergency	Immediately
Non-life-threatening emergency	Within 6 hours
Urgent care	Within 48 hours
Initial routine care visit	Within 10 business days
Follow-up routine care visit	Within 20 calendar days

Claim Requirements

Prior Authorization

- Preservice/Prior Authorization is not required for the Medicaid-approved doula services.
- Refer to the next slide for descriptions and codes.

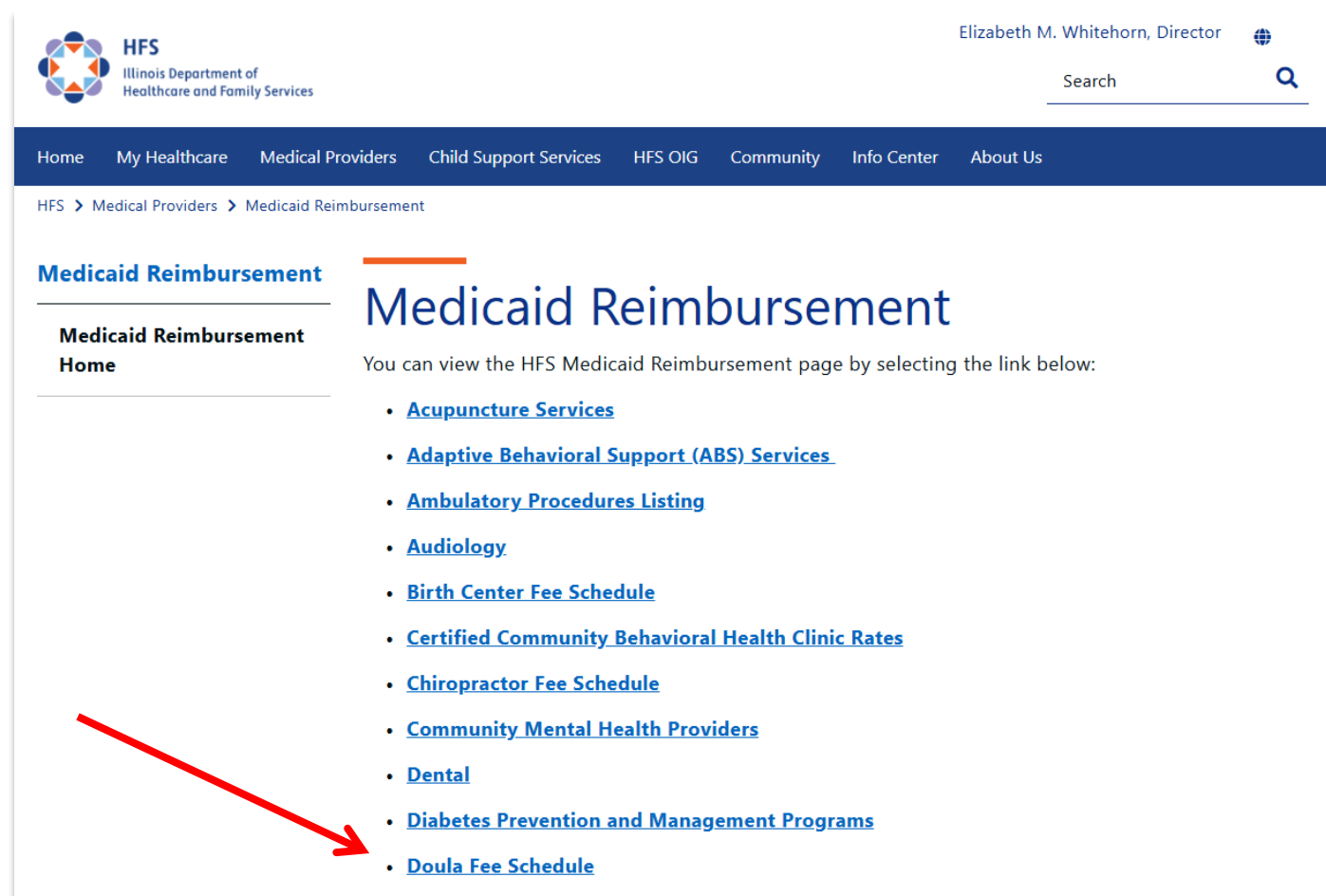


Doula Procedure Codes & Units

Procedure Code	Description
S9445	Non-Physician Prenatal Patient Education - Billable in 15-minute increments per unit
59409	Labor & Delivery Support - Vaginal delivery only
59514	Labor & Delivery Support - Cesarean delivery
59612	Labor & Delivery Support - Vaginal delivery, after previous cesarean delivery (VBAC)
59620	Labor & Delivery Support - Cesarean delivery only, following attempted vaginal delivery after previous cesarean delivery
S9444	Postpartum Parenting Education, Advocacy, and Connection to Appropriate Resources - Billable in 15-minute increments per unit
59430	Postpartum Visit - Attendance with the birthing person at practitioner/OB visit
99381	Initial Newborn Visit - Facilitation & attendance (1st newborn visit with practitioner that occurs within 2 weeks of delivery)
T1032	Doula Support During or After Miscarriage or Abortion - Billable in 15-minute increments per unit

Doula Fee Schedule

- More detail regarding billable procedures is located in the [Doula Fee Schedule](#) on the Reimbursements page of the HFS website.



The screenshot shows the HFS website header with the logo and name 'HFS Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services'. The navigation bar includes links for Home, My Healthcare, Medical Providers, Child Support Services, HFS OIG, Community, Info Center, and About Us. The breadcrumb trail indicates the path: HFS > Medical Providers > Medicaid Reimbursement. The main heading is 'Medicaid Reimbursement' with a sub-link 'Medicaid Reimbursement Home'. Below this, a list of services is provided, including Acupuncture Services, Adaptive Behavioral Support (ABS) Services, Ambulatory Procedures Listing, Audiology, Birth Center Fee Schedule, Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Rates, Chiropractor Fee Schedule, Community Mental Health Providers, Dental, Diabetes Prevention and Management Programs, and Doula Fee Schedule. A red arrow points to the 'Doula Fee Schedule' link.

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Medicaid Reimbursement

You can view the HFS Medicaid Reimbursement page by selecting the link below:

- [Acupuncture Services](#)
- [Adaptive Behavioral Support \(ABS\) Services](#)
- [Ambulatory Procedures Listing](#)
- [Audiology](#)
- [Birth Center Fee Schedule](#)
- [Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Rates](#)
- [Chiropractor Fee Schedule](#)
- [Community Mental Health Providers](#)
- [Dental](#)
- [Diabetes Prevention and Management Programs](#)
- [Doula Fee Schedule](#)

Provider Type/Category of Service/Taxonomy Code

- To be processed, all claims **must** include the specific 10-digit provider taxonomy code.
- The taxonomy code for doula services is 374J00000X

Information on provider taxonomy codes is available at [Illinois.gov/hfs](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs).



Provider Type/Category of Service/Taxonomy Code

The taxonomy code used **must** match a corresponding Category of Service (COS), Procedure Code (PC), and/or Place of Service (POS). A crosswalk of taxonomies with COS, PC, and POS is available here:

illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalProviders/Handbooks/Pages/default.aspx

illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/MCOManual.pdf

The matching COS must also match the COS in IMPACT enrollment.



Taxonomy Code Placement

Examples of where to place the taxonomy code on the CMS 1500:

CMS 1500
PAPER SUBMISSION:

Rendering – Box 24i should contain the qualifier “ZZ.” Box 24j (shaded area) should contain the taxonomy code.

24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE						B. PLACE OF SERVICE	C. CPT/HCPCS	D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES (Explain Unusual Circumstances)	E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER	F. \$ CHARGES	G. DAYS OR UNITS	H. EXPT. PERIOD	I. ID. CODE	J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #
From	To													
NM	DD	YY	MM	DD	YY									
													ZZ 208U00000X	
													NPI 1234567892	

Billing – Box 33b should contain the qualifier “ZZ” along with the taxonomy code.

31. SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER INCLUDING DEGREES OR CREDENTIALS (I certify that the statements on the reverse apply to this bill and are made a part thereof.)		32. SERVICE FACILITY LOCATION INFORMATION	33. BILLING PROVIDER INFO & PH # ()
SIGNED	DATE	a. NPI	b. 1234567892 c. ZZ208U00000X

Referring – If a referring provider is indicated in Box 17 on the claim, Box 17a should contain the qualifier of “ZZ” along with the taxonomy code in the next column.

17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE	
17a. ZZ 208U00000X	17b. NPI 1234567892

Important Note: If you have multiple NPIs and IMPACT Medicaid IDs, they **must** match on the claim. Molina will **not** process the claim if the specific NPI used does not match the corresponding Medicaid ID and IMPACT-registered COS, etc.

Telehealth

- The telehealth delivery method is allowable for patient education codes S9444 and S9445, as well as the doula support during and/or after miscarriage or abortion code T1032, utilizing modifier GT (Via Audio and Video Telecommunications Systems) or 93 (Synchronous telemedicine service rendered via telephone or other real-time interactive audio-only telecommunications system) and place of service 02 (Telehealth Provided Other than in Patient's Home) or 10 (Telehealth Provided in Patient's Home), as applicable.



Illinois Standing Recommendation

- The State of Illinois has issued a [standing recommendation](#) for doula services. When doulas document the services they deliver, they must note in their documentation that they either:
 - Used the standing recommendation, or
 - Used a recommendation from a specific licensed physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse. This documentation is for audit purposes and to meet the federal requirement that preventive services provided by the certified doula be recommended by a licensed provider. This information will only go in the doula's documentation of services. It will **not** go on the claim submitted for reimbursement.

Claims Submissions

Avenues for Submitting Claims

- **Availity Essentials provider portal:** This is the preferred method. Availity can help streamline your admin functions and expedite many processes.
- **EDI Clearinghouse:** Molina uses the SSI Group, which works with virtually all clearinghouses. Molina's payer ID is 20934.
- **Mail (paper claim):** This is the method of last resort.
- Please refer to the [Medicaid Provider Manual](#) for detailed claims requirements.



Claim Format

- Doula services are billed electronically on the 837 Professional transaction. Information regarding electronic 837P transactions is available in the HFS [Chapter 300 Companion Guide](#).
- Claims may also be submitted via direct data entry within the [MEDI](#) system. **Please note:** CPT 59430 is reimbursable only when the doula attends the postpartum visit with a practitioner, and the visit occurs within 26 days from delivery date and/or between 27-89 days of the delivery date.
- The actual delivery date must be reported on the claim to receive payment for attendance at the postpartum visit(s), provided the above timelines are met.

General Claim Submission Guidelines

Claims will be rejected or denied if billed with:

- Missing, invalid, or deleted codes.
- Codes inappropriate for the age of the member or services provided.
- An ICD-10 CM code missing any 4th, 5th, and 6th character requirements and 7th character extension requirements.



Requirements for All Submitted Claims

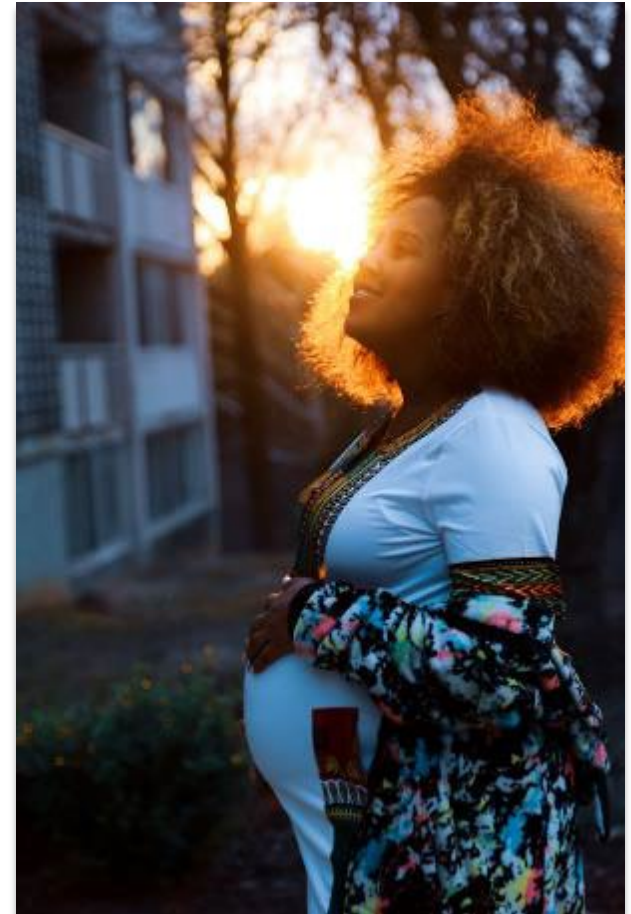
All claims submitted must:

- Identify the name and appropriate TIN number (Medicaid ID number) of the health professional or facility that provided treatment or service, plus a matching NPI number based on the billing guidance for the IMPACT provider type.
- Identify the patient:
 - Recipient ID Number (RIN) and/or Molina-specific Plan ID
 - Address
 - Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy)
 - Place of service.
- Have valid diagnosis, procedure, and location codes.

Requirements for All Submitted Claims

The submitting provider must:

- Ensure that all other insurance resources (i.e., third-party coverage) have been exhausted before submission. Include any Coordination of Benefit (COB) documentation (e.g., a copy of the primary insurance EOB, including pages with run dates, coding explanations, and messages) with the claim submission. Medicaid is always the payer of last resort.



Requirements for All Submitted Claims

All claims submitted must:

- Be certified by the provider that the claim:
 - Is true, accurate, and prepared with the knowledge and consent of the provider.
 - Does not contain untrue, misleading, or deceptive information.
 - Identifies each attending, referring, or prescribing physician or other practitioner.

Important Note: Before providing services, providers **must** verify that the member was eligible and enrolled with Molina on the date(s) of service through either the MEDI system or Availity Essentials portal: provider.molinahealthcare.com/Provider/Login.

A Molina ID card is not sufficient verification by itself.

Timely Filing Requirements

It is important that claims are submitted according to Molina's timely filing deadlines.

Timely filing requirements for original or corrected claims:

- Providers must submit claims within 180 calendar days after the following have occurred: discharge for inpatient services or the date of service for outpatient services.



Electronic Claim Submission

Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) allows faster, more efficient and cost-effective claim submission for providers. EDI, performed in accordance with nationally recognized standards, supports the health care industry's efforts to reduce administrative costs.

- Molina requires the ANSI X12N 837 format, version 5010A (or its successor) for EDI claim submission.
- Providers must use the HIPAA-compliant 837 electronic formats.

Claims transmitted electronically **must** contain all the same data elements identified within the General Claims Submission section of the Provider Manual.

Molina Payer ID: **20934**

Type of Claim Submission

All claims must be filed using:

- Original CMS 1500 (red form).
- 837P if filing electronically (preferred method).

Filing claims via Molina's Provider Portal (available to all providers at no cost) offers many claims-processing benefits.

Remember to verify that the member was eligible and enrolled with Molina on the date of service.

HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIM FORM
APPROVED BY NATIONAL UNIFORM CLAIM COMMITTEE (NUCC) 02/12

PATIENT AND INSURED INFORMATION

1. MEDICARE (Medicare) ☐ MEDICAID (Medicaid) ☐ TRICARE (TRICARE) ☐ CHAMPVA (CHAMPVA) ☐ GROUP HEALTH PLAN (Group Health Plan) ☐ FECA (FECA) ☐ OTHER (Other) ☐

2. PATIENT'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)

3. PATIENT'S BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY)

4. INSURED'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)

5. PATIENT'S ADDRESS (No. Street)

6. PATIENT RELATIONSHIP TO INSURED (Set ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other ☐

7. INSURED'S ADDRESS (No. Street)

8. RESERVED FOR NUCC USE

9. OTHER INSURED'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)

10. IS PATIENT'S CONDITION RELATED TO:

11. INSURED'S POLICY GROUP OR FECA NUMBER

12. PATIENT'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE (I authorize the release of any medical or other information necessary to process this claim. I also request payment of government benefits either to myself or to the party who accepts assignment)

13. INSURED'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE (I authorize payment of medical benefits to the undersigned physician or supplier for services described below)

14. DATE OF CURRENT ILLNESS, INJURY, or PREGNANCY (MM/DD/YY)

15. OTHER DATE (MM/DD/YY)

16. DATES PATIENT UNABLE TO WORK IN CURRENT OCCUPATION (FROM MM/DD/YY TO MM/DD/YY)

17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE (17a. NAME 17b. NPI)

18. HOSPITALIZATION DATES RELATED TO CURRENT SERVICE (FROM MM/DD/YY TO MM/DD/YY)

19. ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION (Designated by NUCC)

20. OUTSIDE LAB? ☐ YES ☐ NO \$ CHARGES

21. DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY (Recode 6-C to service line below (245))

22. RESUBMISSION CODE ORIGINAL REF. NO.

23. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION NUMBER

24. A. DATES OF SERVICE (From MM/DD/YY To MM/DD/YY) B. PLACE OF SERVICE (EMG) C. D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES (Explain Unusual Circumstances) (CPT/HCPCS) MODIFIER E. DIAGNOSIS (ICD-10) F. \$ CHARGES G. DAYS ON UNITS H. EPST (Facility) I. L. ID. QUAL. J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #

25. FEDERAL TAX I.D. NUMBER SSN EIN 26. PATIENT'S ACCOUNT NO. 27. ACCEPT ASSIGNMENT? ☐ YES ☐ NO 28. TOTAL CHARGE \$ 29. AMOUNT PAID \$ 30. Paid for NUCC Use

31. SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER INCLUDING DEGREE OR CREDENTIALS (I verify that the statements on the reverse apply to this bill and are made a part thereof.) 32. SERVICE FACILITY LOCATION INFORMATION 33. BILLING PROVIDER INFO & PI # ()

SIGNED DATE NPI NPI

NUCC Instruction Manual available at: www.nucc.org PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE APPROVED OMB-0938-1197 FORM 1500 (02-12)

Code Editing and Auditing

Molina uses code-auditing software to help improve accuracy and efficiency in claims processing, payments, and reporting, as well as meeting HIPAA compliance regulations.

The software detects and documents coding errors on provider claims prior to payment by analyzing CPT, HCPCS, modifiers, and POS codes against rules that have been established by the AMA, CMS, public-domain specialty society guidance, clinical consultants, and the State of Illinois.

Claims billed in a manner that does not adhere to these coding conventions will be denied.



Successful EDI Submission

Providers should take these steps to ensure success:

- Select a clearinghouse to use.
- Contact the clearinghouse to inform them you wish to submit electronic claims to Molina Healthcare, **Payer ID 20934**.
- Ask the clearinghouse what data records are required.
- You will receive two reports—always review them daily.
 - The first shows the claims that were accepted and being transferred to Molina, along with claims not meeting the clearinghouse's requirements.
 - The second shows claims submitted to but rejected by Molina. These claims must be corrected and resubmitted.
- All claims must be submitted with the provider's identifying numbers (NPI and HFS Medicaid number, as appropriate).

Successful EDI Submission

Because the clearinghouse returns the acceptance reports directly to the sender (i.e., the provider), submitted claims not accepted by the clearinghouse are **not** transmitted to Molina.

If you need assistance in resolving submission issues reflected on either the acceptance or claim status reports, contact your clearinghouse or vendor customer service department.

Rejected electronic claims may be resubmitted electronically within timely filing deadlines (see Timely Filing Deadlines section of the Provider Manual) once the error has been corrected.

It is important that providers review the acceptance and claims status reports received from the clearinghouse to identify and resubmit these claims accurately.

Claim Rejection

COMMON REJECTIONS	
Member DOB missing from the claim.	DOS Prior to Effective Date of Health Plan or member eligibility date.
Member Name or ID Number missing or invalid for the claim.	Incorrect Form Type used.
Provider Name, TIN or NPI missing from the claim.	Invalid TOB or invalid type of bill.
Claim data is unreadable due to either too light, dot matrix, or too small font.	No Detail Service line submitted.
Diagnosis Code missing or invalid.	Admission Type is missing.
Rev Code missing or invalid.	Patient Status is missing.
CPT/Procedure Code/Modifier missing or invalid.	CLIA certification missing/invalid or incomplete.
Dates Missing from required fields. Example "statement from" UB-04 or "Service From" CMS 1500.	DOS on Claim is not prior to receipt of claim. Cannot be a future DOS.

Note: These are examples and are **not** a complete list of rejections.

Do's and Don'ts

Paper Claim Submission Do's

Electronic claim submission is **highly encouraged**. Providers may submit paper claims only when electronic billing is not attainable.

DO

- Use the original billing forms (e.g., CMS 1500 red and white form). Photocopies **will not** be accepted.
- Ensure the claim is computer generated or typed using 12-point Times New Roman. The font must never be smaller than 10-point.
- Ensure that claims information is within the outlines of the data fields. Information that extends beyond the box may cause the claim to be rejected.
- Submit all claims in a 9"x12" or larger envelope.
- Include all other insurance information (policy holder, carrier name, ID number, and address) when applicable.
- Any claim that is not properly signed or has an altered certification statement will be rejected. A rubber signature stamp or other substitute is **not** acceptable.

Paper Claim Submission Don'ts

DON'T

- Submit black-and-white, photocopied, or other facsimiles of the original red and white form.
- Submit a claim with multiple members on a single claim. Each member requires a separate claim.
- **Handwrite the billing form.**
- Use colored ink, highlights, italics, bold, or script text.
- Use rubber signature stamp.
- Use staples.
- Circle any data or add any extraneous information to any claim form field.
- **Submit forms by fax.**

Claim Disposition

Claim Processing

A **clean claim** is a claim submitted on the proper form to a health plan for an eligible member by a provider authorized to perform a covered benefit that is Medically Necessary and appropriate, where no additional information is required to process the claim.

HFS has established **processing** requirements for Molina related to clean claims:

- 90% of clean claims must be processed within 30 days.
- 99% of clean claims must be processed within 90 days.



Claim Disposition

Note: The requirements are for claims processing, also known as claims adjudication. Claims processing/adjudication does **not** mean payment is necessarily made. It **does** mean that a determination has been made as to the outcome of the claim process. Those determinations can include **pending**, **denying**, or **paying** the claim.



Correcting a Rejected Claim

If a claim is rejected, review the clearinghouse reports you received and determine what needs to be corrected. Make the applicable correction(s) as noted and resubmit the claim.

In this instance, you do not need to follow the corrected/replacement claim guidelines. This is a new claim being submitted.

When a rejection is received, proceed as follows:

- Verify that the claim data submitted is correct.
- Verify with your clearinghouse that accurate data was sent to Molina.
- If you believe the rejection from the clearinghouse was in error, please contact Molina directly using the provider escalation process.

Explanation of Payment

Explanation of Payment (EOP)

Molina will send an Explanation of Payment (EOP) that provides details about claims that have been paid, denied, or adjusted. An EOP contains information such as member ID, member name, date of service, provider name/number, billed amount, allowed amount, paid amount, and adjustment codes/reasons.

This provider memo offers EOP guidance: [Enhancements to EOP/835 Refund and Forwarding Balance Reporting](#)

Note: An EOP can also be referred to as a Remittance Advice or Report (ANSI X12N 835).

If a denial is noted, pay special attention to the **adjustment codes/reason codes/remark codes**.

The report uses HIPAA-compliant remark/adjustment code/reason codes.



Obtaining an EOP

Instructions for obtaining/retrieving an EOP from Molina:

- Providers can retrieve the EOP/remit via the [Provider Portal](#). EOPs on the portal can be viewed up to 24 months from the remit date.
- Providers registered for Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) are automatically registered for Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA) reports. ERAs are managed by the SSI Group.

Provider services will fax or email the remits to the provider if electronic billing is not attainable. **Important Note:** This is **not** the preferred method.

Interpreting and Understanding an EOP

The top five reasons for denial encountered by Molina and the actions the provider can take to correct them:

Denial Reason	Action
Not Enrolled on DOS	Verify if member was active on DOS. If member was active, submit a claim dispute. Use MEDI system to validate enrollment.
The Time Limit for Filing Has Expired	Determine if the claim was an initial claim or a corrected/replacement claim. If the claim was a corrected/replacement claim, validate that you have the appropriate type of bill.
Missing or Invalid Taxonomy	Resubmit corrected/replacement clean claim with the valid taxonomy.
Service Not Included on Fee Schedule	No action needed. Non-covered service per HFS fee schedule.
Recipient Not Eligible on Date of Service	Correct claim or validate with MEDI. Potential update may need to be done at State level.

Corrected Claims

Submitting a Corrected (Replacement) Claim

A corrected/replacement claim **must** be submitted when all or a portion of the claim was paid incorrectly, or a third-party payment was received after Molina made the payment.

When a replacement claim is received, Molina deletes the entire original claim and replaces it with the information contained in the replacement claim.

To ensure accurate processing, appropriate resubmission code and original claim number must be reported in field 22 of a 1500 claim form.



Submitting a Corrected (Replacement) Claim

All money paid on the original claim is debited, and a new payment is issued based solely on information reported on the replacement claim.

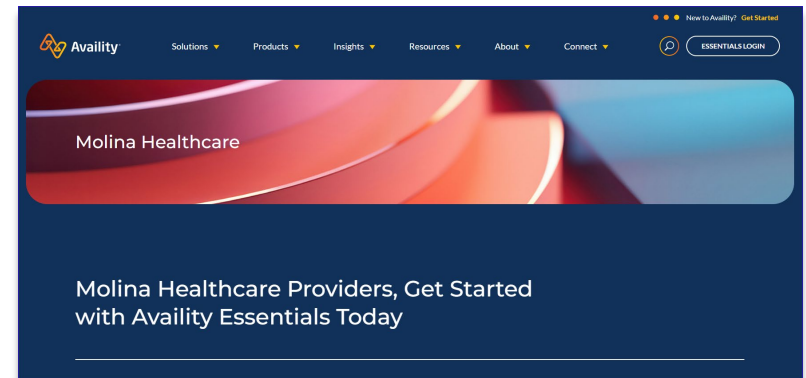
File a corrected/replacement claim when:

- The EOP shows that corrections to the original claim are required. For example, invalid DOS, modifiers or CPT code edits/changes, POS changes, etc.
- The EOP shows that the claim was denied at Molina for a billing error.

Provider Resources

Availity Essentials Portal

- Availity Essentials is Molina's exclusive provider portal. Providers are **strongly encouraged** to register and use the Portal.
- Availity Portal landing page: availity.com/molinahealthcare
- Access via our website:
provider.molinahealthcare.com/Provider/Login
- With technical issues, contact Availity Help Desk at **(800) 282-4548**.
- Availity can help streamline your admin functions:
 - Check member eligibility
 - Submit and check the status of your claims
 - Submit and check the status of your service or request authorizations
 - View your HEDIS scores
 - Access rosters
 - **So much more**



Online Provider Resources

- Provider manual
- Provider online directories
- Provider portal (Availity)
- Frequently used forms
- Preventive & clinical care guidelines
- Prior authorization information
- Advance directives
- Model of Care training
- Pharmacy information
- HIPAA
- Fraud, Waste & Abuse information
- Communications & newsletters
- Member rights & responsibilities
- Contact information
- News & updates



Helpful Links

- HFS Website: illinois.gov/hfs/Pages/default.aspx
- IMPACT Website: illinois.gov/hfs/impact/Pages/default.aspx
- IAMHP Website: iamhp.net/providers
- MTAC Website: hfs.illinois.gov/medicalproviders/mtac/mtaclearningcenter.html
- SIU Website: siumed.edu/fcm/illinois-medicaid-certified-doula-program
- Molina Website >> News & Updates:
molinahealthcare.com/providers/il/medicaid/comm/Pages/newsupdates.aspx
- Molina Website >> Medicaid Provider Manual:
molinahealthcare.com/providers/il/medicaid/manual/home.aspx
- Provider Portal: availity.com/molinahealthcare
- Molina Provider Relations team email:
MHILProviderNetworkManagement@molinahealthcare.com
- Molina Website >> Provider Education Series (live webinars):
molinahealthcare.com/providers/il/medicaid/comm/updatesevents.aspx

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