

ALaHA November 4, 2013

ICD-10 Update

- All HIPAA-covered entities must adopt the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-10) by October 1, 2014.
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama will be ready to assist with testing of ICD-10 codes beginning March 1, 2014.
- We will not process claims with ICD-10 codes until October 1, 2014. Claims submitted before that time with ICD-10 codes will be denied.



ICD-10 Update

- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing ongoing support and resources for providers at www.cms.gov/ICD10.
- Blue Cross has a webcast, "Preparing for ICD-10," on our provider website under "Provider Education."



ICD-10: Vendor Communications

Important Dates to Remember

January 1, 2012	HIPAA Version 5010 Compliance Date				
January 1, 2013	Complete Picture of Health Coding Initiative (12 diagnosis codes) – Risk Model				
August 7, 2013	Complete Picture of Health – Educational Events Provider Road Shows Began				
September 1, 2013	Enhanced Vendor Functionality Matrix (VFM) Posted				
March 1, 2014	Testing to begin for ICD-10 compliance codes				
October 1, 2014	HIPAA-mandated ICD-10 compliance go-live date				



ICD-10: Vendor Communications

- Do you know your software system's capability?
- Are you on the latest version of your vendor's practice management software release?
- Work with your vendor.



ICD-10: Vendor Communications

- Practice management software vendor educational events
- Practice management software systems
- Category II CPT and diagnosis codes usage



Vendor Functionality Matrix

Now Available!

Enhanced Vendor Functionality Matrix (VFM)

www.bcbsal.com/providers



Vendor Functionality Matrix Documentation and Coding

New!

Enhanced Vendor Functionality Matrix (VFM) Detail Record

Vendor Name: ABC Vendor		Website Addr	ess: www.abcv	endorwebsite.com			
Contact Name: John Q. Blue	Email: john	blue@abcvendorema	sil.com	Phone: 123-456-7890			
System Information							
Product Name	PM1	0					
Software Version(s)		5010	Vendor	Software Componen			
Diagnosis Codes Allowed Per Claim		8		ectronic Connectivity			
Diagnosis Pointers Allowed Per Line		4		Only the vendor diagnosis coo capabilities that have been validated by Blue Cross and			
ICD-10 Ready?		No					
ICD-10 ready by October 1, 2014		Yes					
Associated Costs for ICD-10 (Software Updates/Hardw	vare)			Blue Shield of Alabama are lis			
Software Maps from ICD-9 to ICD-10							
Education/Training on ICD-10 Software Requirements	s	Yes	Yes Validated results refle				
Education/Training on ICD-10 Coding				release of the vendor's software system as of August 2013. Other system information has			
All-in-One Practice Management Software/Electronic Health Record (PMS/EHR) Integrateable Solution	-	Yes	-				
Interfaced with Modular EHR Solution(s)		Yes*		been provided by the practice management software vendor.			
Hospital and Lab Interface		••	manage				
*Please contact your software vendor for additional ir **Contact the hospital(s) and lab(s) where you have p NV = Not Validated	electron	stions regarding nic transactions listed in e to the left, email your					

electronic transactions listed the table to the left, email yo EDI Services Representative at Ask-EDI@bcbsal.org or telephone 205-220-6899.

ABC Vendor

Functionality Matrix

August 2013

Helpful Links

Click here for a brief description of each program.

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CCHIT – Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology http://www.cchit.org/

HIMSS – Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society http://www.himss.org/

HIT – Health Information Technology http://www.healthit.gov/

KLAS

http://www.klasresearch.com/about/company.aspx

ONC - The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology http://www.healthit.gov/policy-researchers-implementers/onc-hit-certification-program

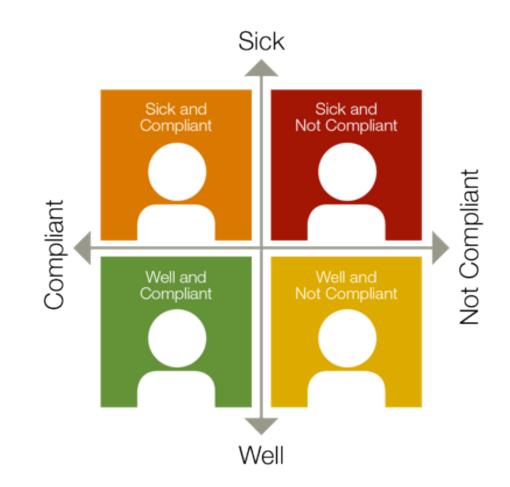
Looking for a vendor? Helpful Questions To Ask www.bcbsal.com.

What is Risk Adjustment?

- For 2014 and after, insurance carriers are expected to participate in a risk adjustment process to transfer premium dollars among insurers based on patient complexity.
- A similar process exists for Medicare Advantage plans where a portion of reimbursement is tied to patient complexity.



Health Management





Medicare Crossover Claims

- Effective October 13, 2013, providers must wait 30 calendar days from the Medicare remittance date before submitting a claim to us for processing.
- Claims you submit to Medicare will be forwarded/crossed over to us only after they Don't file a have been processed by Medicare.

CRNA & AA Network

Provider Resources Effective January 1, 2014 Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) CPT/HCPCS Coding Highlights Forms Information for Chiropractors Information f Dentists Manuals New PMD Physician Billing and Medical Necessity Disputes Home > Providers > Manuals Preferred Radiology Pr Provider Publications Town Meetings Manuals **SELECT** Thank you for browsing our provider manuals. If you have any questions or comments about the manuals, please contact us. Search Manuals Medical Provider Manual* 🔁 BlueCard® Program Provider Manual Facility Manual Participating Chiropractor Manual Primary Care Network (PCN) Manual Refund Billing Online

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Anesthesia

A. General Services

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama recognizes and covers medically by a qualified and licensed medical doctor (MD), certified registered m (AA) as defined by a member's specific benefit contract.

- Global reimbursement of anesthesia administration includes the follow
- Pre-anesthesia evaluation (CPT codes 99201-99205, 99221-99223)
- Post-postoperative visits (CPT codes 99211-99215, 99231-99233)
- Anesthetic or analgesic administration
- Intra-operative administration of drugs, IV fluids or blood
- Routine, non-invasive monitoring such as: ECG/EKG monitoring, te arterial blood gases, oximetry, carbon dioxide, expired gas determ mass spectrometry, intubation, endotracheal, emergency procedu

According to physician Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) guideline appropriate by or under the responsible supervision of an anesthesion limited to general, regional, supplementation of local anesthesia or ot patient the anesthesia care deemed optimal by the anesthesiologist d

Covered Services

- Anesthesia services may be covered only when:
- The procedure for which anesthesia is administered is a covered se Benefit Agreement.
- Consultations rendered by an anesthesiologist for care other than for coverage if separately identifiable services were rendered. Sub for medical review of medical necessity.

Non-Covered Services

- Services not covered under the terms of the member's applicable Ben the following:
- Standby anesthesia Blue Cross does not cover physicians "stands general anesthesia
- · Anesthesia administered by operating physician or surgical resider
- Anesthesia by hypnosis or acupuncture
- Anesthesia for cosmetic surgery

B. Personally Performed, Medical Direction and Supervision

 Medical Direction - Medical direction occurs when an anesthesiolo anesthesia procedures or a single anesthesia procedure with a qualifie anesthesiologist must do the following seven services:

- · Perform a pre-anesthetic examination and evaluation;
- · Prescribe the anesthesia plan;
- Personally participate in the most demanding procedures of the ar induction and emergence;
- Ensure that any procedure in the anesthesia plan that he or she do qualified anesthetist;
- · Monitor the course of anesthesia administration at frequent inter
- Remain physically present and available for immediate diagnosis a

Provide the indicated post anesthesia care.

If one or more of the above services are not performed by the anest direction. The anesthesiologist must document in the patient's medic anesthesia examination and evaluation. The record should also docu anesthesia care. It should also state whether the anesthesiologist we monitoring or during the most demanding procedures, including indu

Anesthesia

Claims Processing and Operational Information

The Alabama Child Caring Program

Blood Collection Fee - Venipuncture

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Assistant Surgeon Claims

When the anesthesiologist does not fulfill all of the "medical direction anesthesia services are considered medical supervision services and a this instance, the claim should be submitted as a CRNA service with th Ordinarily, anesthesiologist should not furnish additional services to c administration of anesthesia. The anesthesiologist can, however, prowhile medically directing the administration of anesthesis without all • Addiressing an emergency of short duration in the immediate area • Administration of caudal anesthetic to ease labor pain

- Periodic rather than continuous monitoring of an obstetrical pat
- Receiving patients entering the operating suite for the next surge
 Checking on or discharging patients from the post anesthesia can
 Coordinating scheduling matters

2. Medical Supervision

Medical supervision also occurs when the seven required services un anesthesiologist. This might occur in cases when the anesthesiologist • Left the immediate area of the operating suite for more than a sh

- Devotes extensive time to an emergency case; or
- Was otherwise not available to respond to the immediate needs
- 3. Personally Performed Anesthesia Determined by the following:
- · Physician personally performed the entire anesthesia service alor
- Physician is continuously involved in a single case involving a stud
- Physician and the CRNA are involved in one anesthesia case and t necessary upon appeal. (Documentation must be submitted by b

C. Anesthesia Modifiers

Modifiers are two-digit indicators that are used with a procedure cod Blue Cross requires the use of the following Healthcare Procedure Co general anesthesia claims. Failure to submit one of the modifiers will

Modifiers used by anesthesiologists include:

Modifier	Descriptio
AA A	Anesthesia services performed personally by the anesthe
	Modifier AD (medical direction of five or more concurren mesthesiologist)
	Medical direction (by anesthesiologist) of two, three or f personnel
QY N	Medical direction of one CRNA/AA by an anesthesiologis

Modifiers used by CRNAs include:

 Modifier
 Description

 QX
 CRNA/AA service with medical direction (supervision) by an anesthesiologist

 QZ
 CRNA service without medical direction (supervision) by an anesthesiologist

Physical Status Modifiers

Physical status modifiers distinguish between various levels of complexity of the anesthesia service provided based on the patient's condition and are represented by the letter P followed by a single digit. These modifiers are required for monitored anesthesia care (MAC).

Modifier	Description
P1	Normal healthy patient
P2	Patient with mild systemic disease
P3	Patient with severe systemic disease
P4	Patient with severe systemic disease that is a constant threat to life
P5	Moribund patient who is not expected to survive without the operation
P6	Declared brain-dead patient whose organs are being removed for donor purposes

Additional Anesthesia Modifiers

The following modifiers should be used as secondary or tertiary modifiers only and not as the primary modifier. These modifiers are intended to provide additional information specific to the services provided. There will be no additional reinbursement made for these modifiers.

Modifier	Description
QS	MAC service. Only one QS service per day will be allowed.
23	Unusual Anesthesia. Occasionally a procedure that usually requires either no anesthesia or local anesthesia, because of unusual circumstances, must be done under general anesthesia. This circumstance may be reported by adding the modifier "23" to the procedure code of the basic service.
53	Discontinued Procedure. Due to extenuating circumstances or those that threaten the well being of the patient, it may be necessary to indicate that a surgical or diagnostic procedure was started but discontinued. This circumstance may be reported by adding the modifier "S3" to the code reported for the discontinued procedure.
59	Distinct Procedural Service. Under certain circumstances procedures representing a different session or patient encounter, different site or organ system, separate lesions or separate injury, not ordinarily encountered or performed on the same day by the same physician. Services with modifier 59 could be subject to Blue Cross review of medical records.

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Implement by January 1, 2016

- Healthcare Claims Transactions
- Claims Attachments



Healthcare Reform – Phase III

	Rule	High-Level Requirements					
Data Content	Uniform Use of CARCs and RARCs (835) Rule Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC) Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC) <u>Rule 360</u>	 Identifies a <u>minimum</u> set of four CAQH CORE-defined Business Scenarios with a <u>maximum</u> set of CAQH CORE-required code combinations that can be applied to convey details of the claim denial or payment to the provider 					
	EFT Enrollment Data Rule Rule 380	 Identifies a maximum set of standard data elements for EFT enrollment Outlines a flow and format for paper and electronic collection of the data elements Requires health plan to offer electronic EFT enrollment 					
	ERA Enrollment Data Rule Rule 382	Similar to EFT Enrollment Data Rule					
Infrastructure	EFT & ERA Reassociation (CCD+/835) Rule Rule 370	 Addresses provider receipt of the CAQH CORE-required Minimum ACH CCD+ Data Elements required for re-association Addresses elapsed time between the sending of the v5010 835 and the CCD+ transactions Requirements for resolving late/missing EFT and ERA transactions Recognition of the role of NACHA Operating Rules for financial institutions 					
	Health Care Claim Payment/Advice (835) Infrastructure Rule <u>Rule 350</u>	 Specifies use of the CAQH CORE Master Companion Guide Template for the flow and format of such guides Requires entities to support the Phase II CAQH CORE Connectivity Rule. Includes batch Acknowledgement requirements* Defines a dual-delivery (paper/electronic) to facilitate provider transition to electronic remits 					

Reassociation Rule #370 835 Remits and *ProviderAccess* Remits

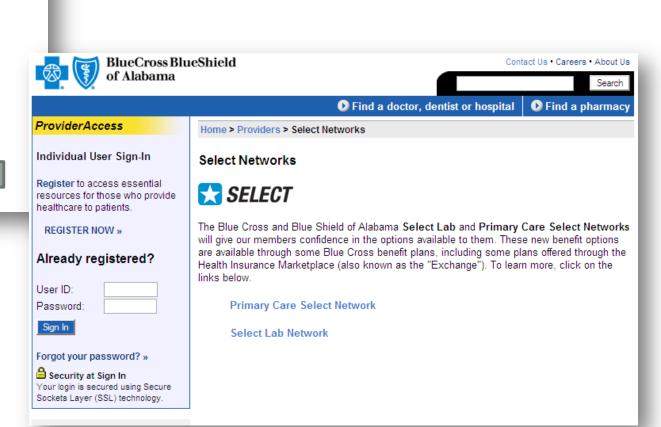
- The requirement states that the payor has three days before or three days after the electronic funds transfer (EFT) has been placed in the designated bank account to supply the 835 file to the receiver.
- Blue Cross will be distributing the 835 file into the receiver's FTP directory on Monday.
- The PDF remittance will continue to be available through *ProviderAccess* on Saturday

Healthcare Reform Select Networks

Provider Resources

- Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)
- CPT/HCPCS Coding Highlights
- Forms
- Information for Chiropractors
- Information for Dentists
- Manuals
- New PMD Information
- Physician Billing and Medical Necessity Disputes
- Preferred Radiology Program
- Provider Publications
- Town Meetings





Select Lab Network

- The primary laboratory for this network is Quest Diagnostics, a leading provider of diagnostic testing, information and services. Several specialty laboratories are also included.
- Coverage will still be provided for limited in-office clinical laboratory services (Exhibit I) for these members.
- All other laboratory services for members with the Select Lab Network benefit must be referred to Quest Diagnostics, unless they are medically necessary laboratory services unavailable through Quest.



Healthcare Reform Three-Month Grace Period

- Only applies to the members who are enrolled in health insurance marketplace plans and are receiving a subsidy from the government.
- Check Eligibility and Benefits via *ProviderAccess* for the "premium paid-to date" information.



Three-Month Grace Period Health Insurance Marketplace

Available for individuals who are receiving an Advance Premium Tax Credit (APTC)

Must pay claims for the first month

Will pend claims for months 2-3

Providers will be notified of delinquent status beginning the second month

Must pay all premiums due by the end of the 3rd month or will be cancelled

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Healthcare Reform

Provider Education

- Updated! ICD-10
- Healthcare Reform
- Blue Advantage
- Online Courses

Healthcare Reform

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act was signed on March 23, 2010, followed by H.R. 4872, the Health Care Education Affordability Reconciliation Act of 2010, signed on March 30, 2010. Together, this legislation makes up the federal healthcare reform law referenced as the "Act."

The Act contains many gradual changes to the private insurance market that Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama will phase in over time. The net effects of all the changes are unclear, but as we determine and begin to implement those that affect the provider and the delivery of care to patients we will provide direction to the provider community.

Healthcare Reform Timeline

Most provisions that will have a major impact are not scheduled to go into effect until 2014; there are some that will become effective in 2010 and subsequent years. These are summaries of changes and timeline:

- 2010 Timeline and Summary of the Act
- ▶ 2011 Timeline and Summary of the Act
- 2012 Timeline and Summary of the Act
- 2013 Timeline and Summary of the Act
- 2014 Timeline and Summary of the Act

Implementing Healthcare Reform

- Coverage Eligibility Dependents to Age 26
- Primary Care Physician Choice
- Preventive Health Services
 - o Preventive Care Services Coding Under Healthcare Reform
 - o Preventive Care Services Under Healthcare Reform Medical Policy

Additional Resources

- · Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama Healthcare Reform
- HCR 101: Your Guide to Understanding Healthcare Reform
- Grandfathered vs. NonGrandfathered Plan
- Healthcare.gov
- CDC



HCR 101:

Your Guide to Understanding Healthcare Reform





BlueCross BlueShield of Alabama We cover what matters.

Key Highlights of the Affordable Care Act:

The Individual Mandate

One of the components of the Affordable Care Act that has received a lot of attention is the Individual Mandate. This is the part that goes into effect on January 1, 2014 and states that most everyone will need to have basic health insurance. If not, you may be subject to a tax penalty as imposed by the Affordable Care Act.

Coverage Options for Young Adults

Under the Affordable Care Act, if your plan covers children, you can now add or keep your children on your health insurance policy until they turn 26 years old. Thanks to this provision which went into effect in 2010, over 49,000 young adults in Alabama have gained coverage.

Pre-existing Conditions

Beginning in 2014, health insurance companies will no longer be able to deny coverage to anyone because of a pre-existing condition.

Better Value: "The 80/20 Rule"

Health insurance companies now have to spend at least 80% of your premium dollar on healthcare or improvements to care, or provide you a refund.

> The Affordable Care Act rebate requirements went into effect last year and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama is proud to announce that for the second year in a row we will not have to issue rebates. Over 90 cents of every premium dollar we receive is used to pay healthcare claims to doctors, hospitals or other healthcare professionals.

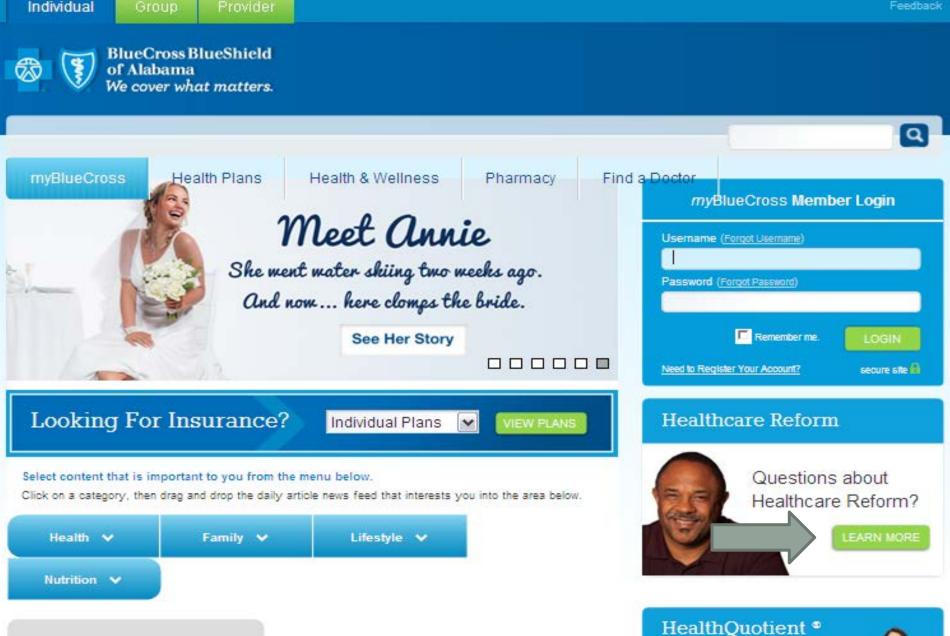
Removing Lifetime Limits on Essential Health Benefits

The new law prevents insurance companies from imposing lifetime dollar limits on most health benefits, and also bans annual limits completely in 2014.

Better Health: Covering preventive services with no deductible or copay

The Affordable Care Act requires many insurance companies to provide coverage without cost sharing to enrollees for a variety of preventive health services - such as colonoscopy screenings for colon cancer, pap smears and mammograms for women, well-child visits and flu shots for children and adults.





What's your HQ Score?

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Healthcare reform + you JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama wants to help you understand how healthcare reform will affect you. We invited fellow Alabamians to share their questions and concerns with us. Join the conversation.



meet our panel of guests
JOIN THE CONVERSATION
and oet answers to common questions





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