



Provider Orientation: Behavioral Health Services for Children and Adolescents

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Introduction

Who is Optum?

Optum is a leading health services organization dedicated to making the health system work better for everyone



Our core values:

Integrity • Compassion • Inclusion • Relationships • Innovation • Performance

Behavioral Health Services for Children and Adolescents (BHCA) Mandate

- Division of Insurance and the Department of Mental Health for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts jointly issued Bulletin 2018-07 – December 2018
- Coverage of specific services for children and adolescents under commercial, fully insured plans that are situated (issued) in Massachusetts
- Effective **July 1, 2019** for new and renewing plans
 - In-home behavioral services
 - In-home therapy; Mobile crisis intervention
 - Intensive care coordination
 - Community-based acute treatment for children and adolescents (CBAT)
 - Intensive community-based treatment for children and adolescents (ICBAT)
- Effective **July 1, 2020** for new and renewing plans
 - Family support and training (2020)
 - Therapeutic mentoring services (2020)

Which Plans does Optum Manage?

Behavioral Health Benefit Administration

- Optum (United Behavioral Health) is a behavioral health delegate to
 - Mass General Brigham Health Plan
 - ConnectiCare
 - UnitedHealthcare
- The Optum Massachusetts behavior network is comprised of over 15,000 providers, agencies, and facilities

Covered Members, Eligibility and Benefits

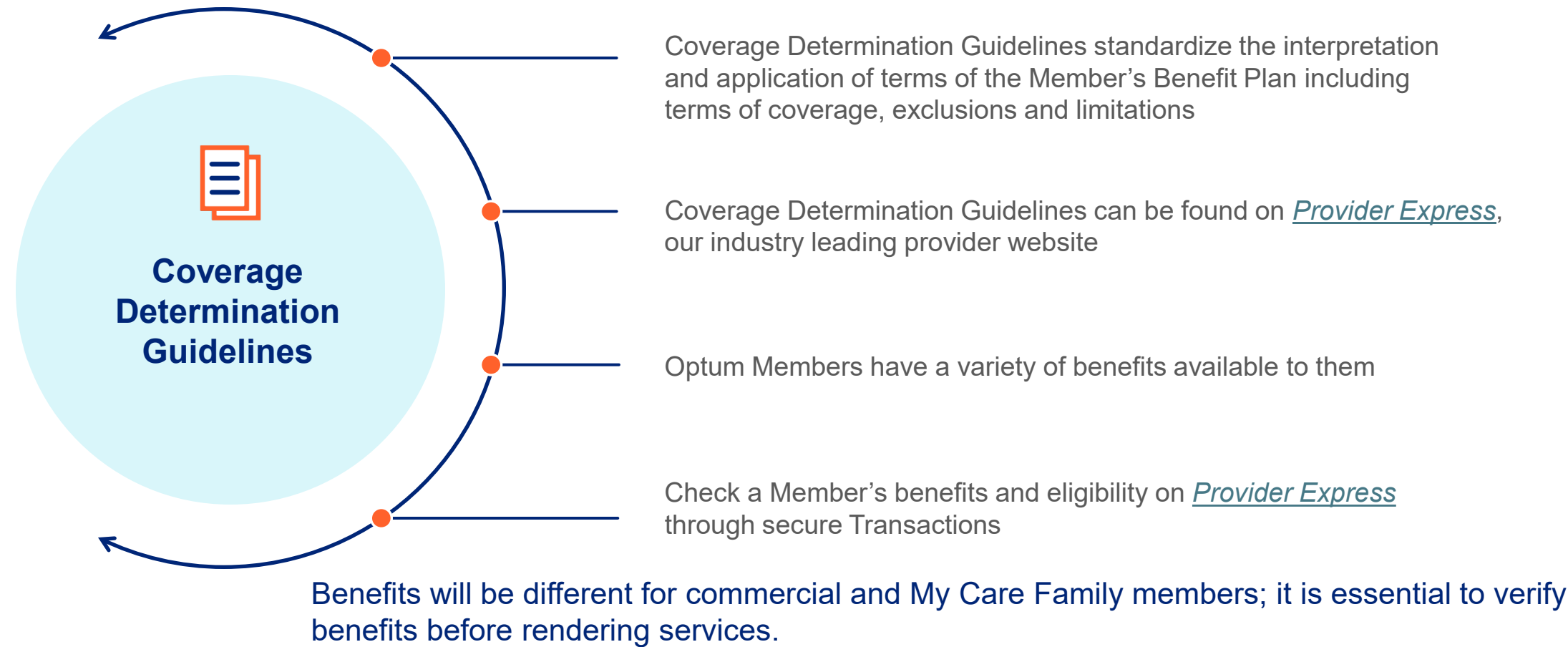
How are the Health Plans implementing this program

Plans may opt to expand membership scope and/or to implement prior to renewal

- Optum administers a wide range of benefit plans
- This table provides high level view
- There are multiple variables in determining member benefit eligibility
- Continue to verify member eligibility and benefits prior to rendering services

Plan	Scope / Timing
Mass General Brigham Health Plan	All Fully Insured Commercial accounts + Partners (PHS) starting July 1, 2019 Some ASO accounts, including GIC and City of Boston will cover some of these services (CBAT, ICBAT, IHT/FST) starting July 1, 2019
ConnectiCare	All Fully Insured Commercial accounts starting July 1, 2019
UnitedHealthcare	All Fully Insured commercial accounts new or upon renewal beginning July 1, 2019

Understanding covered benefits



Eligibility and benefits verification using Provider Express

Provider Express - providerexpress.com

Our industry-leading provider website

- Includes both public and secure pages for behavioral health providers

Home	Eligibility & Benefits	Auth Request	Auth Inquiry	Claim Entry	Claim Inquiry	EPS	ALERT	Provider Reports	My Provider Express	My Practice Info	Message Center	Contact Us
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Eligibility and benefits, member search

Provider Express offers three methods for searching eligibility:

- My Patients (a list you build yourself)
- Member ID
- Name/DOB

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Provider Express

Elig & Benefits

Claims

Auths

Appeals

My Practice Info

More

Eligibility & Benefits

Welcome!

Find Member Eligibility & Benefits

My Patients

Member ID Search

Name / DOB Search

Patient(s) *

Please select one or more patients.

0 record

Show 25 per page < Page 1 of 0 >

Clear All Filters

	First Name ^	Last Name ^	Member ID ^	Group Number	Date Of Birth	State
No records found						

Search

Eligibility and benefits, member search (continued)

If multiple members are selected from the My Patients list, the results show in rows. The triangle to the left of the name expands/collapses the eligibility details.

Elig & Benefit Inquiry

Eligibility Search Results

▶ [Name]	Effective 01/01/2014 to 12/31/2099 (Still Active)
▶ [Name]	Effective 11/05/2015 to 01/31/2041 (Still Active)
▶ [Name]	Effective 01/01/2014 to 12/31/2099 (Still Active)

Search Again

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Eligibility and benefits, eligibility information

Regardless of the search method, if a matching member record is found, the eligibility information will display.

Here you will find the group number, plan name (when available), relationship, the most recent effective date of coverage, and the termination date (if applicable).

Eligibility Search Results

▼

Effective 01/01/2018 to 12/31/2099 (Still Active)

+

Add to My Patients

Relationship	Member ID	Alternate ID	Gender	Date of Birth
Spouse			Female	
Demographic Information				
Address	Phone Number			
Plan Information				
Group Number	Plan Name	Benefit Year	Plan Type	Product Type
0700228	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
View Benefits Search Again				

Eligibility and benefits, viewing benefits

The Member details section includes the Member ID, Alternate ID (if applicable), Group Number, State and if the California Language Assistance Program (CA LAP) is applicable, the Spoken Language and Written Language the member identified. For some members, a Plan ID will display.

Elig & Benefit Inquiry

Benefit Information

Disclaimer:

Inquiries of coverage through Provider Express are not a guarantee of benefits. Failure to obtain an authorization, when required, may result in reduced or no benefits.

Member Details for

Effective 01/01/2014 to 12/31/2099 (Still Active)

Relationship	Member ID	Alternate ID	Group Number	State
Subscriber			12641-0001	OH
CA LAP	Spoken Language	Written Language		
Yes	Non-Specified	Non-Specified		

Eligibility and benefits, benefits information (continued)

The plan deductibles and maximums section summarizes deductibles, out of pocket and copayment maximums for both the individual and family.

Plan Deductibles and Maximums

In Network

Out of Network

As of 11/27/2018

Deductible ⓘ

	Individual	Family
Plan Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00
Met Year To Date	NA	NA
Remaining Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00

Out of Pocket ⓘ

	Individual	Family
Plan Amount	\$700.00	\$1,400.00
Met Year To Date	NA	\$105.00
Remaining Amount	\$700.00	\$1,295.00

Out of Pocket 2 ⓘ

	Individual	Family
Plan Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00
Met Year To Date	NA	NA
Remaining Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00

Copayment Maximum ⓘ

	Individual	Family
Plan Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00
Met Year To Date	NA	NA
Remaining Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00

Eligibility and benefits, benefits information (continued)

The plan deductibles and maximums displays year-to-date accumulators for both deductible and out-of-pocket (if applicable). If there are plan specific requirements, an asterisk will be visible along with a footnote.

	Individual	Family*
Plan Amount	\$750.00	\$2,000.00
Met Year To Date	\$200.00	\$200.00
Remaining Amount	\$550.00	\$1,800.00

*Plan requires the 'Family' max to be paid out of pocket before insurance starts paying for the services

Eligibility and benefits, benefits information (continued)

The benefits summary section includes all levels of care and services based on the member’s benefit plan.

Benefits Summary

This is only a summary, for detailed information on coverage and costs, see the medical policy. If there is difference between this summary and the policy, the terms of the policy apply.

Detox

Emergency Room

Home Therapy

IOP

Inpatient

Med Checks

Outpatient

Outpatient ECT

Outpatient Psych Testing

Partial/Day

Residential

EAP

Mental Health

▸ In Network

▸ Out Of Network

Substance Use Disorder

▸ In Network

▸ Out Of Network

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Eligibility and benefits, benefits information, (continued)

After selecting a service to view, clicking on the triangle next to the In Network or Out of Network rows expands the section to show the details.

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▼ In Network

Auth Rule

Copayment

OOP Annual

Session Limit

Notes

No records found

Auth Required

Indv: \$35.00, Grp: \$35.00

\$700.00 Individual / \$1,400.00 Family

MH Visits: 365

► Out Of Network

Substance Use Disorder

► In Network

Covered Services and Authorizations

Mandate: Behavioral Health Services for Children and Adolescents

On and after July 1, 2019 as plans implement the mandate

CPT Code	Description	Unit Definition	Auth Requirements	Items to Note
Rev 1001 + H0017	CBAT	CBAT with R&B	Auth Required	Must be billed with corresponding HCPCS
Rev 1001 + H0018	ICBAT	ICBAT with R&B	Auth Required	Cannot be billed with other OP codes
(For services provided prior to 10/1/24) 99510 HO – MA Level HN – BA Level (For services provided on 10/1/24 and after) H2019 HO – MA Level HN – BA Level	In-Home Therapy	99510 – Per diem (one 60-minute unit per day – see Items to Note for instruction on how to bill two units) H2019 – 15-minute unit	No Auth Required	Service includes phone contact with family, collateral contact for the purpose of care coordination, service provided in the home & various locations in the community, completing and updating assessment/diagnosis, creating & updating treatment plans, creating discharge plans, and other non-traditional services BA-level notes do not require sign-off from a licensed provider; however, supervision is required (For 99510 only) -Code will not pay while the member is in CBAT / ICBAT care -Code can be used by either MA-level or BA-level team member -A second 60-min unit is allowed if needed on occasion > add primary modifier XU
H2014 HO – MA Level HN – BA Level	In-Home Behavioral Services	96 units per day (per 15 minutes)	No Auth Required	Can be billed with other outpatient codes within a 24-hour period (96 Units = 24 Hours)
H2011 HO – MA Level HN – BA Level	Mobile Crisis Intervention		No Auth Required	Billing under supervision BHCA is the SAME as it was for CBHI There is no HUB for IHBS Can be used when providing 7-Day MCI follow-up; S9485 is used for crisis intervention per usual
H0023	Intensive Care Coordination	1 unit per day	No Auth Required	Code can only be billed once per day per member Effective 7/1/2020, for Mass General Brigham Health Plan, providers can bill health plan directly for ICC services without requiring a single case agreement (SCA). Effective 10/15/2020, for all remaining MA-Sitused health plans (e.g. CCI, and UHC), providers can bill the health plan directly for ICC services without going through Optum's Internal Case Management Team

Behavioral Health Services for Children and Adolescents *Defined*

CBAT

Community-Based Acute Treatment. Mental health services provided in a staff-secure setting on a 24-hour basis with sufficient clinical staffing to ensure safety for the child or adolescent, while providing intensive therapeutic services including, but not limited to: daily medication monitoring; psychiatric assessment; nursing availability; individual, group and family therapy; case management; family assessment and consultation; discharge planning; and psychological testing, as needed. This service may be used as an alternative to, or transition from, inpatient services.

ICBAT

Intensive Community-Based Acute Treatment. Provides the same services as CBAT but of higher intensity, including more frequent psychiatric and psychopharmacological evaluation and treatment and more intensive staffing and service delivery. ICBAT programs have the capability to admit children and adolescents with more acute symptoms than those admitted to CBAT. ICBAT programs are able to treat children and adolescents with clinical presentations similar to those referred to inpatient mental health services but who are able to be cared for safely in an unlocked setting. Children and adolescents may be admitted to an ICBAT directly from the community as an alternative to inpatient hospitalization. ICBAT is not used as a step-down placement following discharge from a locked, 24-hour setting.

Mobile Crisis

Mobile Crisis Intervention. A short-term, mobile, on-site, face-to-face therapeutic response service that is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to a child experiencing a behavioral health crisis. Mobile crisis intervention is used to identify, assess, treat and stabilize; to reduce the immediate risk of danger to the child or others; and to make referrals and linkages to all medically necessary behavioral health services and supports and the appropriate level of care. The intervention shall be consistent with the child's risk management or safety plan, if any. Mobile crisis intervention includes a crisis assessment and crisis planning, which may result in the development or update of a crisis safety plan.

Behavioral Health Services for Children and Adolescents *Defined* (Continued)

In-Home Therapy / Family Stabilization

In-Home Therapy / Family Stabilization. A combination of medically necessary behavior management therapy and behavior management monitoring, provided, however, that such services shall be available, when indicated, where the child resides, including in the child's home, a foster home, a therapeutic foster home, or another community setting. In addition, medically necessary services provided to a parent or other caregiver of a child to improve the capacity of the parent or caregiver to ameliorate or resolve the child's emotional or behavioral needs, provided, however, that such service shall be provided where the child resides, including in the child's home, a foster home, a therapeutic foster home, or another community setting.

In-Home Behavioral Service

In-Home Behavioral Services. Medically necessary therapeutic clinical intervention or ongoing training, and therapeutic support, provided however, that the intervention or support shall be provided where the child resides, including in the child's home, a foster home, a therapeutic foster home, or another community setting.

Intensive Care Coordination

Intensive Care Coordination. A collaborative service that provides targeted case management services to children and adolescents with a serious emotional disturbance, including individuals with co-occurring conditions, in order to meet the comprehensive medical, behavioral health, and psychosocial needs of an individual and the individual's family. This service includes an assessment, the development of an individualized care plan, referrals to appropriate levels of care, monitoring of goals, and coordinating with other services and social supports and with state agencies, as indicated. ICC is delivered in office, home or other settings, as clinically appropriate.

Phase 1 covered services and authorizations

Behavioral Health for Children and Adolescents

Services that REQUIRE Authorization	
Rev 1001+H0017	CBAT with R&B
Rev 1001+H0018	ICBAT with R&B
Services that DO NOT Require Authorization	
H0023 (see Note below)	Intensive Care Coordination ^{1 / 2} ¹ Mass General Brigham Health Plan: Effective 7/1/2020 for Mass General Brigham Health Plan, providers can bill the health plan directly for ICC services without requiring a single case agreement (SCA). ² Effective 10/15/2020 for certain MA-Sitused health plans (e.g. CCI and UHC), providers can bill the health plan directly for ICC services without going through Optum's Internal Case Management Team
H2011	Mobile Crisis Intervention
H2014	In-Home Behavioral Services
99510/H2019	In-Home Therapy (In-Home Family Therapy) – Use 99510 for services prior to 10/1/24. Use H2019 for services starting 10/1/24.

Note: These services are available for Accounts that are Sitused in Massachusetts for Commercial Fully-Insured Plans and Some Commercial ASO Plans who have "opted-in" to purchase BHCA benefits. Providers should ALWAYS call in to confirm benefits for the member before providing BHCA services.

Authorizations for CBAT and ICBAT can be requested in two (2) ways:

- Contracted providers can request authorizations for most services via the online portal system on Provider Express (providerexpress.com). You will need to log-in to request authorizations. The previous slide includes information about which services can be requested [online](#) and which require a phone call.
- Calling United Behavioral Health (UBH) via the number on the member's card.

Authorization Process

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- Calling Optum via the number on the member's card:

Health Plan	Phone Number
Mass General Brigham Health	1-844-451-3518
Partners ASO	1-844-451-3520
ConnectiCare	1-888-946-4658
UnitedHealthcare	Call the number on the back of the insurance ID card

Check authorization status online

Once you have obtained authorization for clinical services, you have the capability in the secure Transactions on *Provider Express* to:

- Look up authorizations, even if the authorization was not generated through *Provider Express*
- View authorization details



Provider Express

Clinical Criteria

To access the **Massachusetts Commercial Supplemental Clinical Criteria** for these child and adolescent services go to:

providerexpress.com > Clinical Resources
> Guidelines/Policies/Manuals > Optum
Clinical Criteria: Massachusetts

▼ State/Contract Specific Criteria

Optum Clinical Criteria

- [AZ Medicaid Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 
- [California Medi-Cal \(Medicaid\)](#) 
- [Florida Medicaid Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 
- [HI Intensive Behavioral Therapy/Applied Behavioral Analysis](#) 
- [Idaho Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 
- [Illinois Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 
- [Indiana Medicaid Supplemental Clinical Criteria: Drug Testing](#) 
- [Kansas Medicaid Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 
- [Kentucky Medicaid Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 
- [Louisiana Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 
- Maryland
 - [Maryland Medical Necessity Criteria](#) 
-  ◦ Massachusetts
 - [AllWays of Massachusetts Medicaid Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 
 - [Massachusetts Commercial Supplemental Clinical Criteria](#) 

Outpatient Management for BHCA

The Outpatient Care Engagement program will support management of outpatient BHCA services.

Reduced administrative burden

We have removed precertification requirements for in-scope services

Management strategy

Outpatient Care Engagement

In-scope services

- In-home Therapy / Family Stabilization
- In-Home Behavioral Services
- Mobile Crisis Intervention

Member identification

- Claims data
- Service combinations
- Frequency and/or duration that is higher than expected

Licensed Care Advocates telephonic outreach

- Review eligibility for the service(s)
- Review the treatment plan/plan of care
- Review the case against applicable medical necessity guidelines

Potential outcome of outreach

- **Conclude outreach > continue care**
(member is eligible, treatment plan/plan of care is appropriate, care is medically necessary)
- **Modification to plan**
(e.g., current care is not evidence-based but there is agreement to correct)
- **Referral to Peer Review**
(e.g., member appears ineligible for service; treatment does not appear to be evidence-based; duration/frequency of care does not appear to be medically necessary)

Claims

Claims filing made easy

File your claim electronically for a fast, secure and convenient claims experience



Benefits of Electronic Filing:

- **It's fast** - Eliminate mail and paper processing delays
- **It's convenient** - Easy set-up and intuitive process
- **It's secure** - Data security is higher than with paper-based claims
- **It's efficient** - Electronic processing helps prevent errors
- **It's cost-efficient** - you eliminate mailing costs, and the solutions are free or low-cost

Claims submission option 1, Online: Provider Express

Our network clinicians report the highest level of satisfaction when they submit claims online through *Provider Express*:



- Free
- Available 24/7
- Intuitive and easy-to-use
- HIPAA Compliant
- Real-time, quick claims processing
- Available to clinicians and groups
- Outpatient behavioral and EAP claims

Get started today with your One Healthcare ID:

- Register for a One Healthcare ID today by clicking this [First Time User](#)
- Need help registering for a One Healthcare ID? Watch this [quick video](#)

Tips for timely and accurate payments, Provider Express

Filing claims electronically on Provider Express can help prevent these common errors.



Missing or incomplete information

Provider Express “Claim Entry” prevents the submission of claim if required fields are blank

Examples: NPI number, ICD-10 derived diagnosis code



Member demographic info has errors

Member information is auto-populated when you use “Claim Entry” on Provider Express

Examples: Name, DOB, ID number



Unclear or illegible information

The Claim Entry form on Provider Express ensures legibility

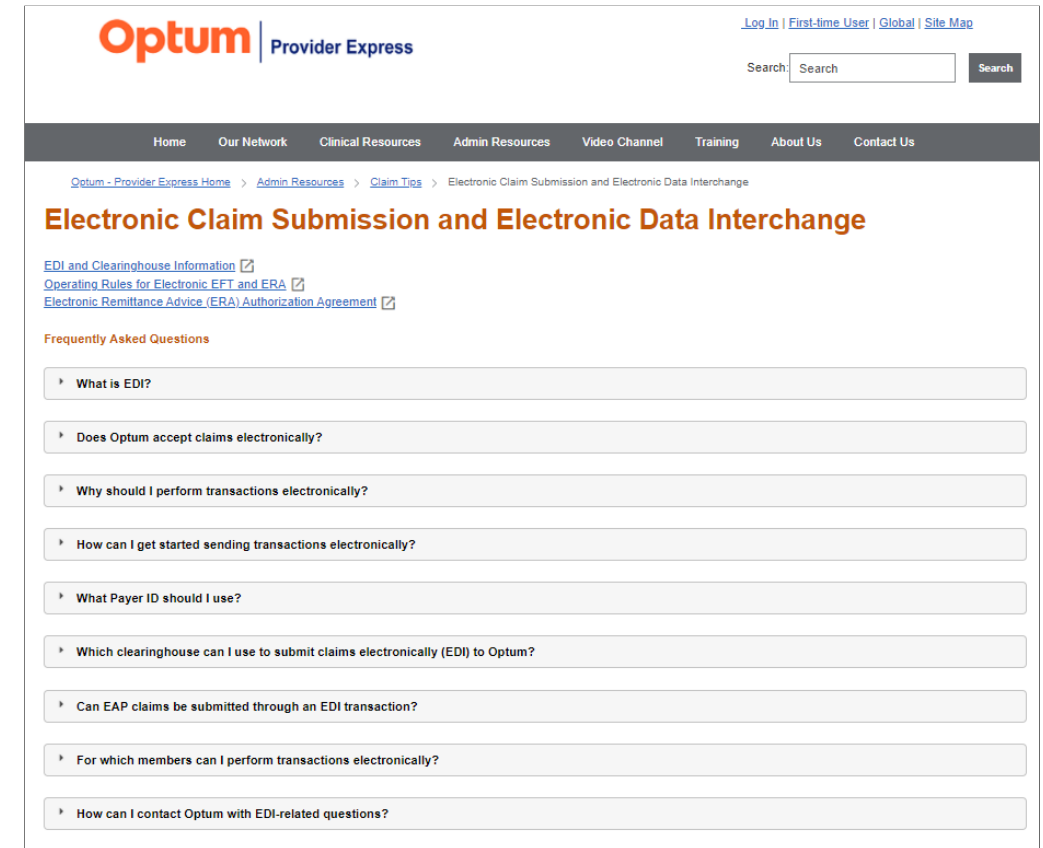
Examples: Provider or Member information illegible, diagnosis code unclear

Claims submission option 2: EDI/ Electronically

Submit batches of claims electronically, right out of your practice management system software:

- Ideal for high volume Providers
- Can be configured for multiple payers
- Clearinghouse may charge small fee
- **Payer ID: 87726**

To learn more about Electronic Data Interchange, visit Provider Express. From the Home Page, select Admin Resources > Claim Tips > EDI/Electronic Claims



Claims submission option 3: Paper

If you are unable to file electronically, follow these tips to support smooth processing of your paper claim:

- Use an original Form 1500 (no photocopies)
- Type information to ensure legibility
- Use a DSM-5 derived ICD-10 code for primary diagnosis (Hint: the DSM-5 includes ICD codes along with the DSM diagnostic info)
- Complete all required fields (including ICD indicator and NPI number)

The image shows the front of a Health Insurance Claim Form (Form 1500). The form is titled "HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIM FORM" and is approved by the NATIONAL UNIFORM CLAIM COMMITTEE (NUCC). It is divided into several sections: 1. PATIENT AND INSURER INFORMATION (top half), 2. PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER INFORMATION (bottom half), and 3. A section for the patient's condition and treatment (middle). The form includes fields for patient name, address, date of birth, sex, and insurance policy number. It also includes fields for the provider's name, address, and NPI number. The form is designed to be filled out by the patient or the provider, and it is used to submit claims to the insurer.

Claims submission option 3: Paper

- Institutional claims must be submitted using the UB-04 claim form
- Professional claims must be submitted using the Form 1500
- Paper claims submitted via U.S. Postal Service should be mailed to:

**Commercial Health Plans
MGBHP ASO, ConnectiCare and UnitedHealthcare**

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P.O. Box 30757
Salty Lake City, UT 84130-0760

Claim form – Form 1500 provider section, (continued)

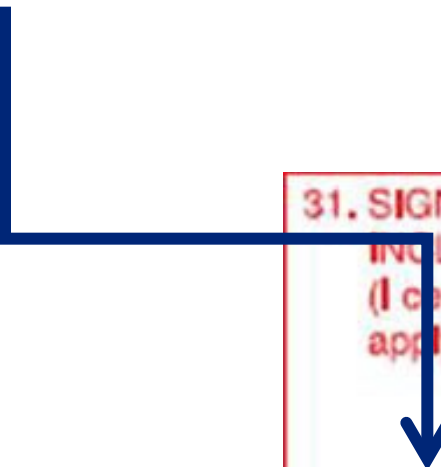
- **Box 24J:** Independently licensed clinicians who render services enter their **NPI number** in the non-shaded portion
- **Box 24J:** Non-independently licensed clinicians who render services do not need to enter an NPI number in Box 24J (Medicaid claims)



	24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE						B. PLACE OF SERVICE	C. EMG	D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES				E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER	F. \$ CHARGES	G. DAYS OR UNITS	H. EPSDT Family Plan	I. ID. QUAL.	J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #	
	From			To					(Explain Unusual Circumstances)		MODIFIER								
	MM	DD	YY	MM	DD	YY			CPT/HCPCS										
1																	NPI		
2																	NPI		
3																	NPI		
4																	NPI		
5																	NPI		
6																	NPI		

Claim form – Form 1500 provider section, (continued)

- **Box 31:** Independently licensed clinicians who render services enter their name and licensure in Box 31
- **Box 31:** Non-independently licensed clinicians who render services enter the name of the agency in Box 31 (Medicaid claims)



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.)

SIGNED DATE

Claim tips

To support clean claim submissions, remember:

- NPI numbers are always required on all claims
- A complete diagnosis is required on all claims
- The correct date of service corresponding to the date the service occurred must be listed on the claim form; do not list the claim submission date as the date of service

Claims filing deadline:

- Claim submissions up to ninety (90) days from the date of service

Claims Processing:

- Clean claims, including adjustments, will be adjudicated within thirty (30) days of receipt of the claim

Balance Billing:

- The member cannot be balance billed for behavioral services covered under the contractual agreement

Claim tips (continued)

Member Eligibility:

- Provider is responsible to verify member eligibility through providerexpress.com

Examples of coding Issues related to claim denials:

- Incomplete or missing diagnosis
- Invalid or missing HCPCS/CPT codes and modifiers
- Use of codes that are not covered services
- Use of codes not included on provider fee schedule
- Required data elements missing, (e.g., number of units)
- Provider information is missing or incorrect
- Required authorization missing
- Units exceed authorization (e.g., 10 inpatient days were authorized, facility billed for 11 days)

Receive payments faster

Benefits of *Optum Pay*

- Easy set-up, free to use
- Payments deposited into your bank
- Simplified claims reconciliation
- 24/7 access to your information
- Secure payment and remittance advice



The screenshot shows the Optum Provider Express website. At the top, the Optum logo is on the left, and 'Provider Express' is on the right. Navigation links include Log In, First-time User, Global, and Site Map. A search bar is on the right. Below the navigation bar, a breadcrumb trail reads: Optum - Provider Express Home > Admin Resources > Claim Tips > Electronic Payments and Statements (EPS). The main heading is 'Receive reimbursement payments faster with less hassle'. To the left is an image of a man at a desk with the caption 'Sign up for Optum Pay, get paid more quickly' and an 'ENROLL TODAY' button. To the right, the text says: 'You've got better things to do with your time - Sign up for Optum Pay™'. It then explains that today's health care environment doesn't afford the luxury of wasted time or waiting longer than necessary to be paid, and that enrolling in Optum Financial Services' Optum Pay, formerly known as Electronic Payments & Statements (EPS), can help. It further states that with Optum Pay, claim* payments are deposited directly into your bank account as soon as possible, shortening the revenue cycle. A section titled 'Optum Pay is a highly secure transaction' notes that with an added layer of security, claims payments made by electronic funds transfer from health plans can be deposited directly into your designated bank. Finally, it states that even better, Optum Pay can dramatically shorten your revenue cycle, with payments arriving five to seven days faster than paper checks received through regular mail.

Registering for Optum Pay is easy!

- Login to *Provider Express* with your One Healthcare ID
- Search for “EPS” and click on “Enroll Today”
- Contact Optum Financial Services for assistance: 1-877-620-6194

Provider Experience

Provider Responsibilities

- Render services to Members in a non-discriminatory manner:
 - ❖ Maintain availability for a routine level of need for services
 - ❖ Provide after-hours coverage
- Determine if Members have benefits through other insurance coverage
- Advocate for Members as needed
- Respond in a timely manner to requests from Optum (this includes requests for record submissions and requests for information relation to a member complaint)
- Notify us at providerexpress.com within ten (10) calendar days whenever you make changes to your office location, billing address, phone number, Tax ID number, entity name, or active status (e.g., close your business or retire); this includes roster management

PARTICIPATING PROVIDER EXPERIENCE

- Contracted Providers will receive notification that their contract now allows for providers to render these services effective July 1, 2019
- Contracted Provider will receive this notification by June 7, 2019
- No further action is required on the part of contracted Providers

Join Our Network

- The participation process begins with submission of the provider application
 - Go to Provider Express home page > [Our Network](#). Under “Join Our Network” select “Individually-Contracted Clinicians” and respond to prompts.
 - Clinicians contracting on an individual basis complete the CAQH universal application online at [caqh.org](#)
 - Agencies pursuing group contracts complete the Optum Agency application
- Additional required application materials include
 - Signed Optum Provider Agreement
 - State required credentialing documents (attestation forms, licensures)
- Approval by Optum Credentialing
- Credentialing requirements can be found at [providerexpress.com](#) under “Join Our Network”
- Orientation to Optum clinical and administrative protocols via webinars or review of provider resources posted on [providerexpress.com](#)

Recredentialing

- Recredentialing is completed every 36 months (3 years)
 - Time-line is established by NCQA
- Several months prior to the recredentialing date, a recredentialing packet will be sent to the primary address on file for the provider
- Completion of the entire recredentialing packet is required for the recredentialing process to be completed
- Site audits will be completed for organizational providers as indicated by Optum policy
- Failure to complete the recredentialing paperwork or participate in the recredentialing site audit (when applicable) will impact the provider's status in the network

Provider Customer Service

Customer service phone numbers may vary by the type of business or employer. Therefore, when calling customer service, you should call the phone number that corresponds to the line of business you have questions about or refer to the number on the member's insurance ID card.

Below are the phone numbers dedicated to a specific line of business:

- **Mass General Brigham Health** : 1-844-451-3518
- **ConnectiCare**: 1-888-946-4658
- **UnitedHealthcare**: call the number on the back of the insurance ID card

CONTACTS – NETWORK

Massachusetts Network Management

Main Number: 1-877-614-0484

Massachusetts Autism/ABA Network Management

1-877-614-0484

Websites

Member Website: Live and Work Well

Self-help programs and tools

- Cognitive therapy-based programs
- Self-assessments with immediate feedback
- Quick-search databases
- Caring e-Cards
- Financial tools and legal templates

Educational information

- Over 100 specially-designed centers of information to address all aspects of life
- More than 5,000 clinician-reviewed articles, discussion boards, videos, webinars and newsletters in English and Spanish
- Kid and teen wellness-related tools, articles, stories, movies and games

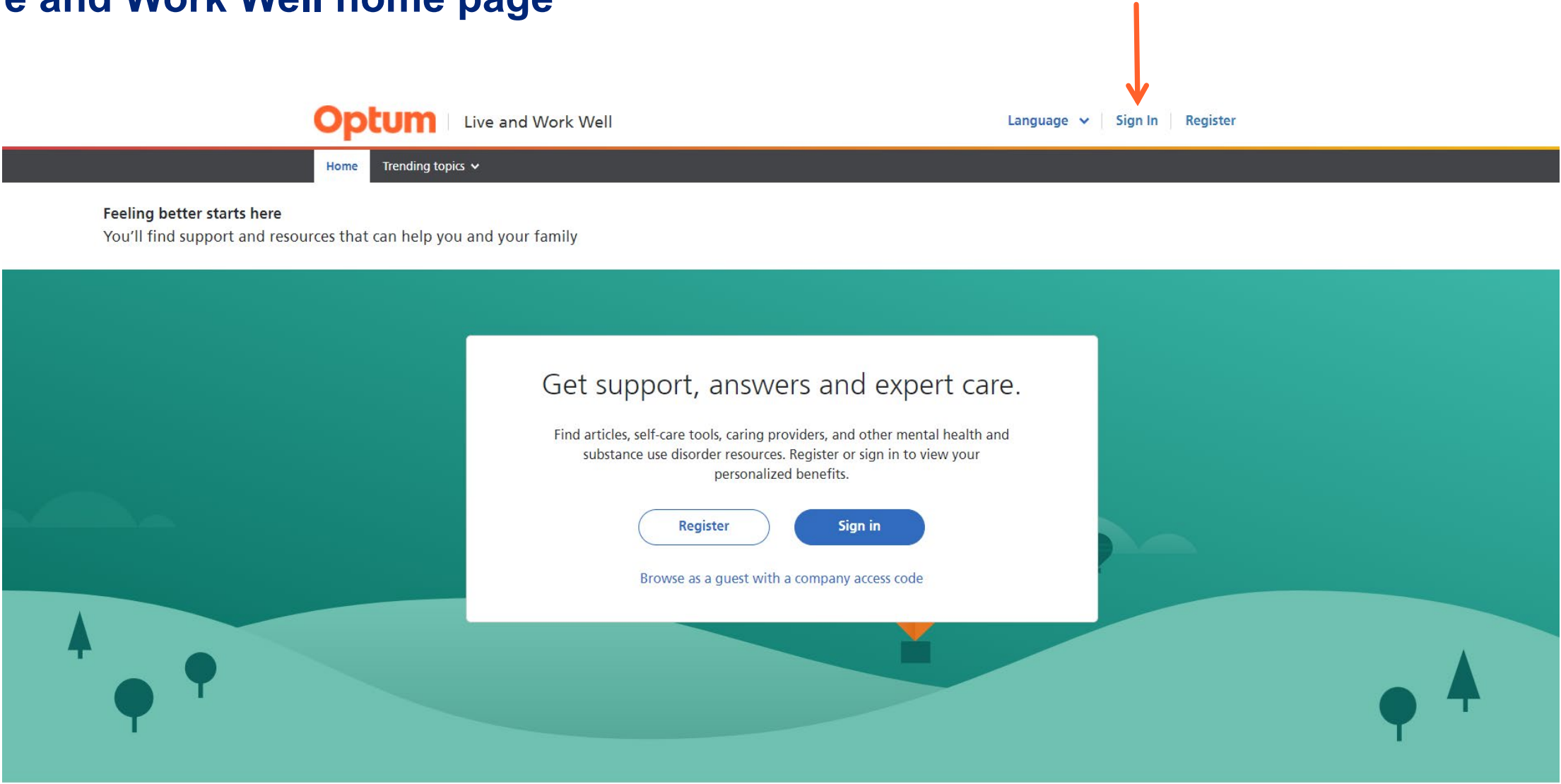
Access to professional services

- Clinician search tool (web and mobile)
- Benefit coverage toolkit
- Legal and financial consultation

URAC accredited and global

- 1 of only 10 URAC accredited health websites and the only accredited behavioral site
- Global versions available in sixteen languages

Live and Work Well home page



Provider resources: Provider Express

Provider Express - providerexpress.com

Our industry-leading provider website

- Includes both public and secure pages for behavioral health providers
- Public pages
 - General updates and useful information
 - [Behavioral Health Toolkit for Medical Providers](#)

Public Pages: general updates and other useful information

- Access forms library
- Find network contacts
- Review clinical guidelines
- Access *Network Notes*, the provider newsletter
- Level of Care Guidelines
- Training/Webinar offerings

Provider resources: **Provider Express** (continued)

Secure pages

- Require registration
 - The password-protected “secure transactions” offers you access to provider-specific information including the ability to update your practice information
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- Providers will be able to update their practice information using the “My Practice Info” feature
 - To request a One Healthcare ID, select the “First-time User” link in the upper right corner of the home page
 - If you need assistance or have questions about the registration process, click on “Contact Us” and refer to the Website Technical Support section
 - The Video Channel includes multiple brief videos on the various functions in the secure transactions area of Provider Express

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