



Re: ASC UPDATED BILLING GUIDELINES

Dear Provider Partner:

WHY YOU'RE RECEIVING THIS LETTER

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City (Blue KC) wants to inform you of an important update to billing policies for Ambulatory Surgery Centers (ASCs).

To ensure correct payment according to contractual agreements, the previously announced billing changes that were set to go into effect on July 1, 2021 will no longer take place. You can continue billing for services the way you have been doing since January 1, 2021 for all commercial and ACA lines of business until further notice.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- For dates of service in 2021 and until further notice, ASCs providing services to Blue KC's commercial and ACA members are required to bill services on the UB 04 claim form—this is the same process that was done before 2021.
- **Reminder: Effective January 1, 2021 and until further notice**, ASCs providing services to Blue Medicare Advantage members are required to bill those services on the HCFA 1500 claim form in order to comply with requirements from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

QUESTIONS?

We value and appreciate you as our partner in providing quality care. If you have any other questions about this information, please call the Blue KC Provider Hotline at 816-395-3929.

Sincerely,

Jill Warren
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