## NOTICE OF PAYMENT POLICY CHANGES

Date: October 01, 2025



The chart(s) below provide a high-level overview of new/revised/archived Payment Policies. We encourage you to review the payment policies in their entirety. Updated and new payment policies are posted at <a href="https://www.bluecrossvt.org/providers/provider-policies">https://www.bluecrossvt.org/provider-policies</a>

## **60-Day Advanced Notice Policy Changes**

Policy Name: CPP\_48 Lactation Support Services

Policy Type: Payment Policy

| Summary:               | New Policy   |
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| <b>Effective Date:</b> | December 01, 2025  |
| Link to Policy/        | https://www.bluecrossvt.org/documents/cpp48-lactation-support- |
| Manual:                | services-12-1-25   |

Policy Name: CPP\_02 Acupuncture

Policy Type: Payment Policy

| Summary:               | Policy reviewed to reflect E/M code selection based on appropriate place of service rendered. Added the following codes to the coding table: 99341, 99342, 99344, 99345, 99347, 99348, 99349, 99350. Minor grammatical errors were corrected. |
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| <b>Effective Date:</b> | December 01, 2025   |
| Link to Policy/        | https://www.bluecrossvt.org/documents/acupuncture-cpp02-12-1-25   |
| Manual:                |   |

Policy Name: CPP\_32 Claims Editing

Policy Type: Payment Policy

| Summary: | Code Edits being deactivated:  |
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|          | Multiple Inpatient Admission or Consultation   |
|          | From Maximum Units Policy:   |
|          | <ul> <li>Daily Maximum Units</li> <li>Excess units when the same provider bills a certain number of units of team surgery or co-surgery that exceed the daily</li> </ul> |

assigned allowable unit(s) for that procedure for the same member **Annual Maximum Units** Maximum Units Per Day for Outpatient Hospitals From Place of Service Policy: Special Services, Procedures and Reports From Device and Supply Policy: **Brachytherapy Source** Diagnostic and therapeutic Add-on Code Policy From Frequency Policy: Ocular photography more than twice a year Added verbiage for Device and Supply Policy – Implant Procedure Requires **Implant Device** From Revenue Code Policy: • 0300 0319 (Laboratory/Pathology) • 0320 0359, 0400 0409, 0610 0619 (Radiology) 0636 (Drugs requiring detailed coding) From Anesthesia Policy: Anesthesia for vaginal or cesarian delivery (01961, 01968 or 01969) when anesthesia for cesarian delivery has been billed in the past 240-day period. Exception: Anesthesia for a subsequent vaginal delivery or cesarean delivery reported within an 8-month period following anesthesia reported for a for a cesarean delivery and modifier -52 or -53 is appended to the service. Verbiage added for: Code Edit - Global Obstetrical December 01, 2025 **Effective Date:** Link to Policy/ https://www.bluecrossvt.org/documents/cpp32-claims-editingpayment-policy-dec-2025 Manual:

## **Notice of Right to Object in Writing**

In accordance with 18 V.S.A. § 9418c contracted providers have the right to object to new or modified policies and manuals.

Providers who object must do so within 60 days of the date the notice related to a policy or manual change. The rationale for the objection to the change must be in writing including related area(s) of the policy or manual and rationale or reasoning for the objection.

These objections are to be directed to Provider Contracting. This can be done by email at: <a href="mailto:providercontracting@bcbsvt.com">providercontracting@bcbsvt.com</a> or US Postal Service

BCBSVT Attn: Provider Contracting, PO Box 186, Montpelier, VT 05601.

Within 5 business days of receipt, the sender will receive confirmation of receipt of the objection.