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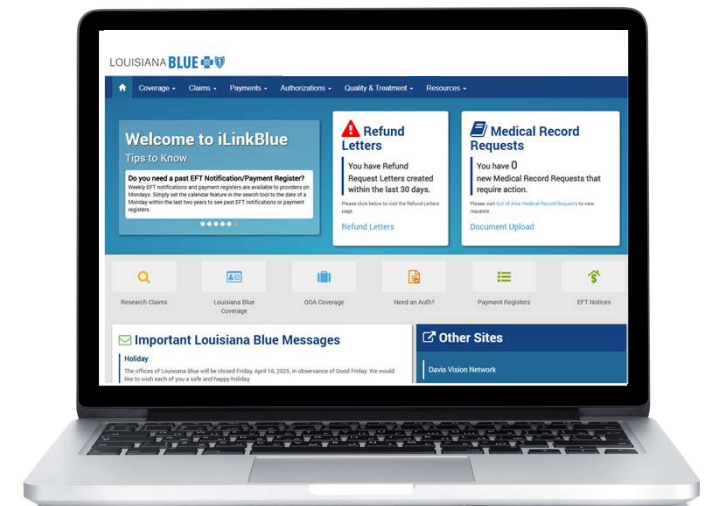
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Welcome

- Today's presentation will review the many features of iLinkBlue including:
 - Coverage and Eligibility
 - Benefits
 - Claims Status
 - Medical Code Editing
 - Payment Registers/EFT Notifications
 - Authorizations
- We will explain the BlueCard® Program (Out of Area) and show how to submit and research those claims.
- We will show you how to easily navigate iLinkBlue.

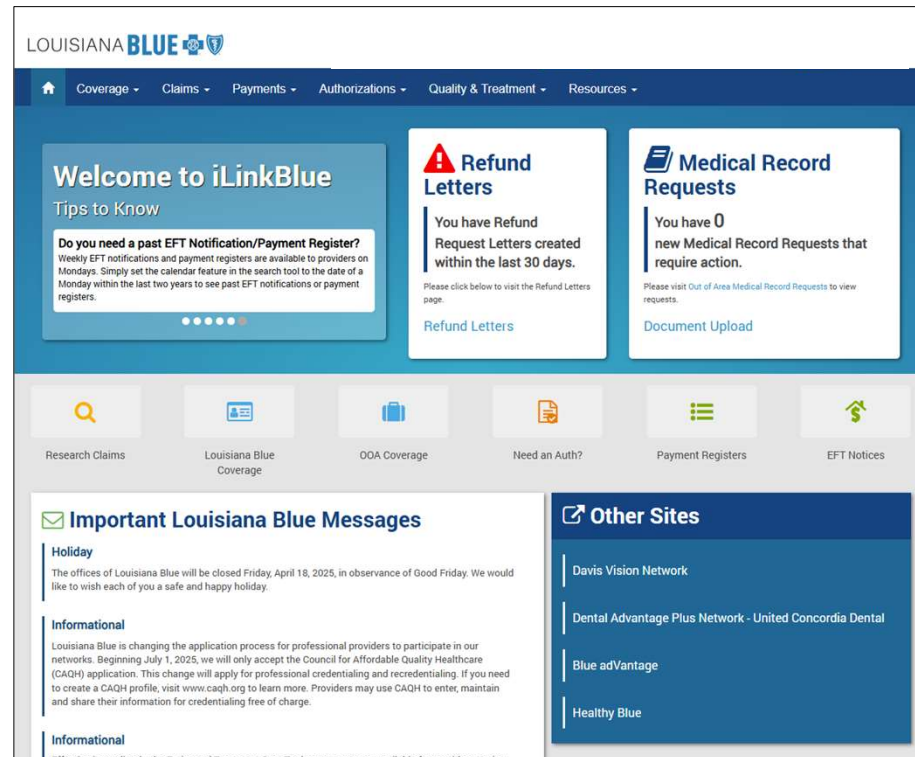


Features of iLinkBlue:

- Allowable Charges
- Authorizations
- Eligibility
- Benefits
- Coordination of Benefits (COB)
- Claims Research
- Electronic Funds Transfer
- Estimated Treatment Costs
- Grace Period Notices
- Manuals
- Medical Code Editing
- Medical Policies
- Payment Information
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Notifications
- BlueCard® Medical Record Requests
- Professional Claims Submission
- Refund Request Letters
- Inpatient Unbundling Reports
- Action Requests
- Provider Network Roster

What is iLinkBlue?

iLinkBlue is Louisiana Blue's secure online provider portal.



www.lablue.com/ilinkblue

Accessing iLinkBlue

Louisiana Blue requires that provider organizations have at least one **administrative representative** to manage our secure online services.



Administrative representative duties include:

- Identify users at your organization who will need access to our secure online services.
- Assign individual user access to the appropriate applications.
- Manage users and terminate user access when it is no longer needed.

Detailed instructions and the Administrative Representative Registration Packet can be found on our Provider page at www.lablue.com/providers >Electronic Services >Admin Reps.

Accessing iLinkBlue

Need access to iLinkBlue?

My organization has an administrative representative?

- Reach out to your organization's administrative representative to request access.
- The administrative representative will use the Delegated Access application in iLinkBlue to set up your appropriate level of security access to iLinkBlue.
- Deeper levels of security include secure authorization applications. This access is granted through your organization's administrative representative.

My organization does not have an administrative representative?

- Self-designate at least one administrative representative at your organization.
- Complete the Administrative Representative Registration Packet. It is available online at www.lablue.com/providers >Electronic Services >Admin Reps.
- Contact our Provider Identity Management (PIM) Team at PIMteam@lablue.com or 1-800-716-2299, option 5 with questions.

Accessing iLinkBlue

LOUISIANA BLUE CROSS

Contact Us

ilinkBlue

Username

Current Password

Log In

[Forgot/Reset Password](#)
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Logging in for the first time:

- Password must be reset.
- Click on the “Forgot/Reset Password” button.
- Follow the prompts, enter your username and click the “Request Password” button.
- The system will send you an email to reset your password. Click on the link in the email.

Passwords

Passwords must be eight positions and contain a number, an uppercase letter, a lowercase letter and one special character (~! @\$%^&). Do not use your browser's password manager function to save or store your password. This can prevent you from changing your password when it expires.

iLinkBlue accounts that are not accessed for 180 days are locked due to inactivity.
Reach out to your administrative representative to have your account reset.



If you are the administrative representative and are locked out of your account, reach out to the Provider Identity Management (PIM) Team.



Phone: 1-800-716-2299, option 5 (Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
Email: PIMteam@lablue.com

Multi-factor Authentication

Multi-factor authentication (MFA) is required to securely access iLinkBlue. MFA is a security feature that delivers a unique identifier passcode via email, text and other formats. To set up MFA, you must register an authentication method with PingID.

PingID Registration

Authentication Method Selection

Select the option you want to configure for use during authentication:

- ☐ SMS/Texting (B)
- ☐ Voice (C)
- ☒ Email (A)
- ☐ Secondary Email
- ☐ Mobile App (D)

Cancel Reset Next

Please note that if you choose to cancel, all previously registered devices will be removed from your account.

Powered by PingIdentity

- We recommend registering **two or more** options for account recovery.
- When you log into iLinkBlue, PingID will send a passcode to your registered method and prompt you to enter it on your computer.
- If your email or phone number should change, you must contact our PIM Department (PIMteam@lablue.com) to delete the old information and add the new.

Multi-factor Authentication

Register for Multi-factor Authentication

Multi-factor Authentication (MFA) is required to securely access iLinkBlue, our online self-service tool for providers.



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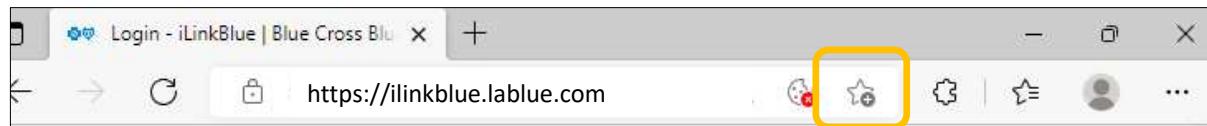
Follow the steps of this guide to register for MFA.

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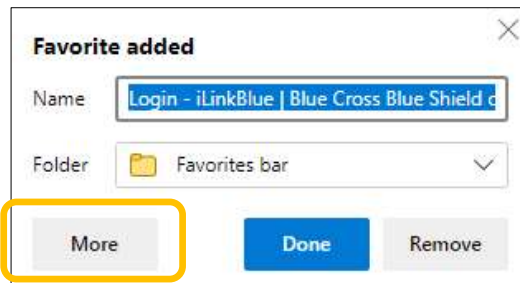
For step-by-step instructions on how to register for MFA, view our *MFA Registration Guide*. It is available at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources >Speed Guides.

Save to Your Favorites

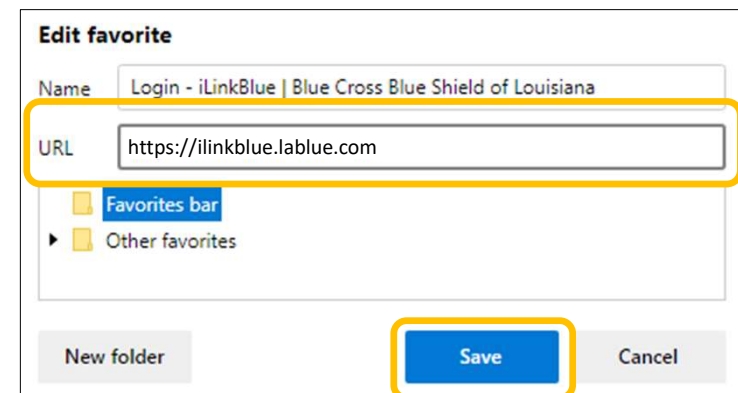
1. Open Microsoft Edge and access iLinkBlue at www.lablue.com/ilinkblue.
2. The “Login” screen will display. Click on the “Star Plus Sign” icon on the right of the address bar.



3. The “Favorite Added” option will display. Click on the “More” button.



4. The “Edit favorite” box will display. In the “URL” field, type “<https://ilinkblue.lablue.com>,” then click the “Save” button.



Navigating iLinkBlue

Top Navigation

The top navigation streamlines iLinkBlue functions under six menus. When you click a menu option, a sub-menu appears that includes relevant features.

Quick Links

This area contains shortcuts to the six most-used iLinkBlue functions.

Message Board

Contains up-to-the minute posts for upcoming events, new features, system outages, holiday notices and other important bulletins.

Refund Letters

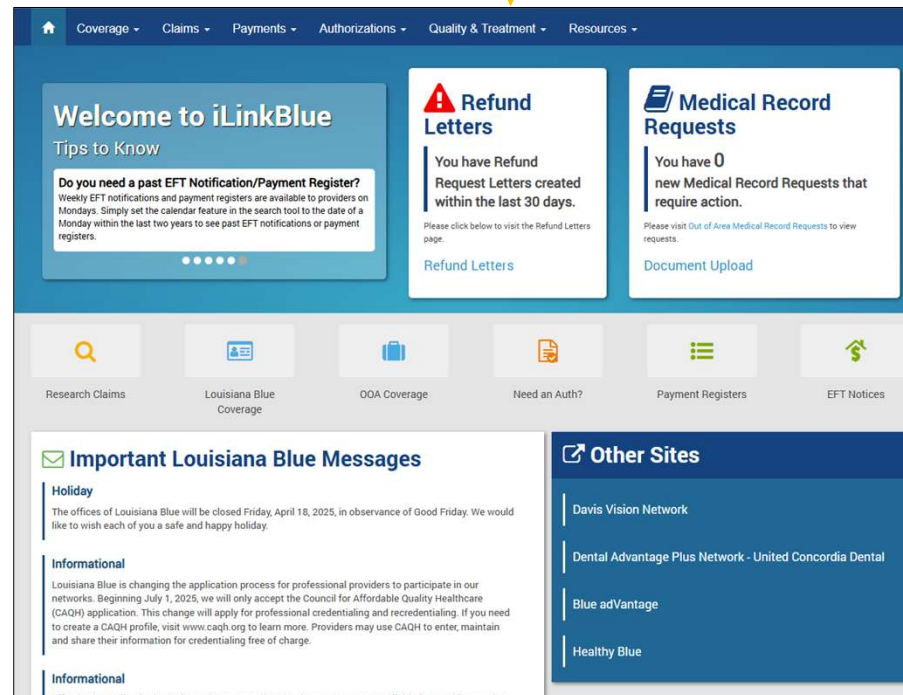
Providers now have a shortcut to check/search for Refund Request Letters.

Medical Record Requests

Providers receive an alert when they have Out of Area Medical Record Requests for BlueCard members. To view these requests, click the “Out of Area Medical Record Requests” link on the alert. This does not include medical record requests for Louisiana Blue members. To upload medical records and other documents, click the “Document Upload” link.

Other Sites

Includes quick access to other sites providers might need to access.



Coverage

LOUISIANA **BLUE** 

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Louisiana Blue Members

[Coverage Information](#)

BlueCard - Out of Area Members

[Submit Eligibility Request \(270\)](#)

[View Eligibility Response \(271\)](#)

Coverage Information

Enter the member ID number to view coverage information for:

- Louisiana Blue members (including HMO Louisiana, Inc. members)
- Federal Employee Program (FEP) members. This section is not used for out-of-area members.

Louisiana Blue Members

[Coverage Information](#)

Home Coverage Claims Payments Authorizations Quality & Treatment Resources

Coverage Information

Use the Coverage Information screen to search for member status, deductible, copay, coinsurance and detailed contract benefits.

1 Select Search Criteria

☒ Louisiana Blue

☐ FEP

☐ Social Security Number

2 Enter Contract or Social Security Number

Enter Louisiana Blue contract number...

Search

Tips

- Louisiana Blue – do not include the member's prefix
- FEP – must include the letter "R"



If you do not have the member ID number, search using the subscriber's Social Security number (SSN). iLinkBlue will return results with the member ID number. An error message will display if searching by a dependent's SSN. It must be the SSN of the policy holder.

Coverage Information

This screen identifies members covered on a policy, effective date and the status of the contract (active, pending, cancelled).

- The **View ID Card** button allows you to download a PDF of the member ID card.
- The **Summary** button allows you to view a benefit summary. It includes the member's cost share (deductible, copay and coinsurance) and remaining out-of-pocket amounts.
- The **Benefits** button allows you to view the coverage details of the member's benefits plan.
- The **View COB** button allows you to view coordination of benefits information.

Coverage Information
Use the Coverage Information screen to search for member status, deductible, copay, coinsurance and detailed contract benefits.

BCBSLA

Contract Number XUA123456789

Group/Non-Group	Group Name	Group Number	Group OED	Minor Dep. Age Max	
TEST GROUP		123456789-0000	02/01/2000	26	ACTIVE COVERAGE

Coverage Category	Coverage Type	Effective From	Effective To
Medical	Family	01/01/2020	---

John Doe **Subscriber**

Address: 123 STREET ST.
CITY, LA 70000

Sex: Male
Marriage Status: Married
Date of Birth: 11/30/1900

Coverage	Effective Date	Cancel Date	Original Effective Date	ID Card	Coverage Views	Coordination of Benefits
Medical	01/01/2020	---	02/01/2000	View ID Card	Summary	Benefits View COB

Jane Doe **Spouse**

Sex: Female
Date of Birth: 11/30/1900

Coverage	Effective Date	Cancel Date	Original Effective Date	ID Card	Coverage Views	Coordination of Benefits
Medical	01/01/2020	---	02/01/2000	View ID Card	Summary	Benefits View COB

Jimmy Doe **Child**

Sex: Male
Date of Birth: 01/01/1930

Coverage	Effective Date	Cancel Date	Original Effective Date	Coverage Views
Medical	02/01/2009	05/31/2009	02/01/2000	View ID Card

[Hide Terminated Dependents](#)

Digital ID Cards

Providers can access member ID cards when researching a member's coverage information in iLinkBlue. To download a PDF of the card, click the **View ID Card** button on the coverage search results, the medical benefits summary page or the medical benefits detail page. Digital ID cards are available for medical policies only (not vision or dental).

John Doe Subscriber		Sex	Male				
Address	123 STREET ST. CITY, LA 70000	Marriage Status	Married				
		Date of Birth	11/30/1900				
Coverage	Effective Date	Cancel Date	Original Effective Date	ID Card	Coverage Views	Coordination of Benefits	
Medical	01/01/2020	---	02/01/2000	View ID Card	Summary	Benefits	View COB

Medical Benefits Summary	
Contract Number	XUT123456789
ACTIVE COVERAGE	
Medical Effective Date	01/01/2020
Subscriber Name	John Doe
Member Name	John Doe
Member Date of Birth	11/30/1900
Relation to Subscriber	Self
Sex	Male
Contract Type	HMOLA POS
View ID Card	
Copays	
Office Visit	
Office Visit Special	
Outpatient Surgical	
Emergency Room	
Inpatient Hospital	
Inpatient Hospital	
Inpatient Hospital	
Outpatient XRay &	
Outpatient Physical	
Outpatient Speech	
Cardiac Rehab	

Medical Benefits Detail	
Contract Number	XUT123456789
Member Name	John Doe
Member Date of Birth	11/30/1900
Contract Type	HMOLA POS
View ID Card	

Digital ID Cards

Our members can also access their digital ID cards through:

Smartphone or device

Louisiana Blue has a mobile app that members can use. In the app, they will choose the “My ID Card” option (on the front page). Member’s also have the option to save their ID card to their phone’s wallet.

Louisiana Blue member portal

Our members can log into their online member account at www.lablue.com, then choose the “My ID Card” menu option.

Louisiana Blue Members

Coverage Information



Coverage Information

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) allows eligible customers to receive an advanced premium tax credit (APTC) to help with premium costs.

After three months of non-payment of premium, the member's policy will terminate, **effective on the date when the policy was 30 days delinquent**.

Coverage Information
Use the Coverage Information screen to search for member status, deductible, copay, coinsurance and detailed contract benefits.

BCBSLA

Enter BCBSLA contract number...

Search

Contract Number XUA123456789

Group/Non-Group	Group Name	Group Number	Group OED	Minor Dep. Age Max
TEST GROUP		123456789-0000	02/01/2000	26

Coverage Category	Coverage Type	Effective From	Effective To
Medical	Family	01/01/2019	---

ACTIVE PENDING PREMIUM PAYMENT
Grace Period Begin Date
01/01/2020
Grace Period End Date
03/31/2020
[APTC Extended Grace Period Notice](#)
[APTC Grace Period Guide](#)

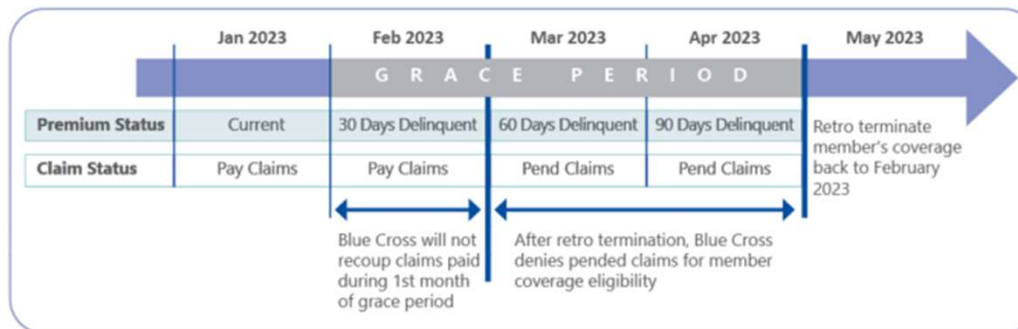
John Doe **Subscriber**
Address
123 STREET ST.
CITY, LA 70000
Sex
Male
Marriage Status
Married
Date of Birth
11/30/1900

Coverage	Effective Date	Cancel Date	Original Effective Date	ID Card	Coverage Views	Coordination of Benefits
Medical	01/01/2019	---	02/01/2000	View ID Card	Summary Benefits	NO COB On File

The APTC Extended Grace Period Notice is a PDF copy of the member's premium status notice that providers can print for their records.

APTC Grace Periods

Sample Grace Period Scenario:



ACTIVE COVERAGE

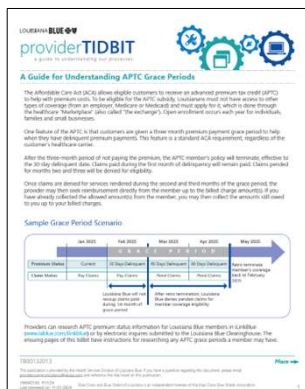
The APTC member is NOT delinquent or within the first month of being delinquent on their premium payment.

ACTIVE PENDING PREMIUM PAYMENT

The APTC member is within the second or third month or being delinquent on their premium payments.

INACTIVE COVERAGE

The APTC member has been terminated effective the delinquent date.



A Guide for Understanding APTC Grace Periods tidbit is available online at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources >Tidbits.

Tiered Benefits

Some members' benefits include **tiered benefit levels**. Accumulations will show deductibles and coinsurance depending on the provider's network participation. The provider must participate in the member specific select network to be considered a Tier 1 provider.

Louisiana Blue Members

Coverage Information

Contract Number

ACTIVE COVERAGE
Medical Effective Date 01/01/2024

Subscriber Name

Member Name

Member Date of Birth

Relation to Subscriber

Sex

Contract Type

[View ID Card](#)

Note: If you are contracted with any Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana or HMO LA network other than COMMUNITY BLUE, you are Tier 2 for this product and may not bill the member for any amount over the allowed amount.

Under this contract, certain Providers who have contracted with HMO Louisiana, Inc. would normally be considered Participating Providers, but because they do not have Participating Provider status within the COMMUNITY BLUE Provider Network, BCBSLA treats them as Tier 3 Non-Preferred Providers. For a list of those Providers, see the COMMUNITY BLUE Non-Par Facilities section under the Benefits Summary.

Copays

	PAR	EPO	QBP
Office Visit	\$20.00	—	\$20.00
Office Visit Specialist	\$55.00	—	—
Outpatient Surgical	—	—	—
Emergency Room	\$350.00	—	—
Inpatient Hospital (In-network)	—	—	—
Inpatient Hospital Maximum	—	—	—
Inpatient Hospital (Out-of-network)	—	—	—
High-Tech Imaging	—	—	—
Outpatient XRay & Lab	—	—	—
Outpatient Physical Therapy	\$40.00	—	—
Occupational Therapy	—	—	—
Outpatient Speech Therapy	\$40.00	—	—
Cardiac Rehab	\$40.00	—	—
Vision Services	—	—	—
Outpatient Professional	—	—	—

*This is not an all-inclusive list. Due to the extensive range of benefit options available, please refer to the "Medical Benefits Detail" for a complete listing of services that may be subject to copays in addition to deductible and/or coinsurance. Some plan benefit options may apply out of pocket (deductible and/or coinsurance) amounts in addition to copay amount.

Accumulations

	Tier 1 COMMUNITY BLUE Network	Tier 2 Out of Network Preferred	Tier 3 Out of Network Non-Preferred
Individual			
Deductible Amount	\$4,500.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
Deductible Remaining	\$4,500.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
Out-of-Pocket Amount	\$7,900.00	\$15,800.00	\$15,800.00
Out-of-Pocket Remaining	\$7,711.67	\$15,800.00	\$15,800.00
Family			
Deductible Amount	\$12,700.00	\$25,400.00	\$25,400.00
Deductible Remaining	\$12,700.00	\$25,400.00	\$25,400.00
Out-of-Pocket Amount	\$15,800.00	\$31,600.00	\$31,600.00
Out-of-Pocket Remaining	\$15,131.67	\$31,600.00	\$31,600.00

Coinsurance

	BCBSLA Coverage	Member Responsibility
Tier 1 COMMUNITY BLUE Network	50%	50%
Tier 2 Out of Network Preferred	50%	50%
Tier 3 Out of Network Non-Preferred	50%	50%
EPO Percentage	—	—
QBP Percentage	—	—

Tiered Benefits

Enhanced Tier 1 In-network Preferred	Tier 1 In-network Preferred	Tier 2 Out-of-network Preferred	Tier 3 Out-of-network Non-Preferred
Select providers in the Precision Blue network.	Providers in the member's network.	Providers participating with Louisiana Blue but NOT in the member's network.	Non-participating providers (do not participate in any Louisiana Blue network).
Member Benefit Plan:			
Precision Blue Only	• Blue Connect • Community Blue • Precision Blue • Signature Blue	• Blue Connect • Community Blue • Precision Blue • Signature Blue	• Blue Connect • Community Blue • Precision Blue • Signature Blue
Example Scenarios:			
• Precision Blue member sees an Enhanced Tier 1 Precision Blue network provider. • The accumulations and copayments identified as Enhanced Tier 1 are applied. • Provider may not bill the member for any amount over the allowed amount.	• Community Blue member sees a Community Blue network provider. • The accumulations, copayments and coinsurance identified as Tier 1 apply. • Provider may not bill the member for any amount over the allowed amount.	• A Community Blue member sees a Signature Blue network provider. • The accumulations, copayments and coinsurance identified as Tier 2 apply. • Provider may not bill the member for any amount over the allowed amount.	• A Community Blue member sees a non-participating provider. • The accumulations, copayments and coinsurance identified as Tier 3 apply. • Provider can bill the member for any amount over the allowed amount.

Tiered Benefits

Precision Blue will display Enhanced Tier 1 copayment information for members. Precision Blue will apply in-network benefits to Enhanced Tier 1 and Tier 1 providers.

The other select networks do not have an Enhanced Tier 1 and will only apply in-network benefits to a Tier 1 provider.

Contract Number

ACTIVE COVERAGE

Medical Effective Date 01/01/2024

Subscriber Name

Member Name

Member Date of Birth

Relation to Subscriber

Sex

Contract Type

[View ID Card](#)

Note: If you are contracted with any Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana or HMO LA network other than Individual Precision Blue POS, you are Tier 2 for this product and may not bill the member for any amount over the allowed amount.

Copays

	PAR ?	EPO ?	QBP ?
Office Visit	\$25.00	—	—
Office Visit Specialist	\$65.00	—	—
Enhanced Tier 1 Office Visit	\$10.00	—	—
Enhanced Tier 1 Office Visit Specialist	\$50.00	—	—
Outpatient Surgical	—	—	—
Emergency Room	—	—	—
Inpatient Hospital (In-network)	—	—	—
Inpatient Hospital Maximum	—	—	—
Inpatient Hospital (Out-of-network)	—	—	—
High-Tech Imaging	—	—	—
Outpatient XRay & Lab	—	—	—
Outpatient Physical Therapy	\$40.00	—	—
Occupational Therapy	—	—	—
Outpatient Speech Therapy	\$40.00	—	—
Cardiac Rehab	\$40.00	—	—
Vision Services	—	—	—
Outpatient Professional	—	—	—

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Coverage – Out of Area

Use this section to research coverage information for a **BlueCard®** (out-of-area) member. This is someone insured through a Blue Plan other than Louisiana Blue.

Submit Eligibility Request (270) – submit an electronic eligibility inquiry to the BlueCard member's Blue Plan. Enter the member's prefix (first three characters of the member ID number) and contract number.

Eligibility Request (270)

Contract Information

Prefix*

Contract Number*

Patient Information

First Name*

Middle

Last Name*

Suffix

Date of Birth

Gender

Service Type*

mm/dd/yyyy

Select Gender T ▼

Select Service Type ▼

Subscriber Information

Only required if patient and subscriber are not the same

First Name

Middle

Last Name

Suffix

Submit

Eligibility Request (270)

To ensure proper benefits are returned when submitting **Eligibility Requests (270)**, use the drop-down to select the most appropriate service type from the following code list:

1 Medical Care	30 Health Benefit Plan Coverage	60 General Benefits	89 Free Standing Prescription Drug	AH Skilled Nursing Care - Room and Board	BT Gynecological
2 Surgical	32 Plan Waiting Period	61 In-vitro Fertilization	90 Mail Order Prescription Drug	AI Substance Abuse	BU Obstetrical
3 Consultation	33 Chiropractic	62 MRI/CAT Scan	91 Brand Name Prescription Drug	AJ Alcoholism	BV Obstetrical/Gynecological
4 Diagnostic X-Ray	34 Chiropractic Office Visits	63 Donor Procedures	92 Generic Prescription Drug	AK Drug Addiction	BY Physician Visit – Office: Sick
5 Diagnostic Lab	35 Dental Care	64 Acupuncture	93 Podiatry	AL Vision (Optometry)	BZ Physician Visit – Office: Well
6 Radiation Therapy	36 Dental Crowns	65 Newborn Care	94 Podiatry - Office Visits	AM Frames	CE MH Provider – Inpatient
7 Anesthesia	37 Dental Accident	66 Pathology	95 Podiatry - Nursing Home Visits	AN Routine Exam	CF MH Provider – Outpatient
8 Surgical Assistance	38 Orthodontics	67 Smoking Cessation	96 Professional (Physician) Visit - Inpatient	AO Lenses	CG MH Provider Facility – Inpatient
9 Other Medical	39 Prosthodontics	68 Well Baby Care	97 Anesthesiologist	AQ Nonmedically Necessary Physical AR Experimental Drug Therapy	CH MH Provider Facility – Outpatient
10 Blood Charges	40 Oral Surgery	69 Maternity	98 Professional (Physician) Visit - Office	BA Independent Medical Evaluation	CI Substance Abuse Facility – Inpatient
11 Used Durable Medical Equipment	41 Routine (Preventive) Dental	70 Transplants	99 Professional (Physician) Visit - Inpatient	BB Partial Hospitalization (Psychiatric)	CJ Substance Abuse Facility – Outpatient
12 Durable Medical Equipment Purchase	42 Home Health Care	71 Audiology Exam	A0 Professional (Physician) Visit - Outpatient	BC Day Care (Psychiatric)	CK Screening X-ray
13 Ambulatory Service Center Facility	43 Home Health Prescriptions	72 Inhalation Therapy	A1 Professional (Physician) Visit - Nursing Home	BD Cognitive Therapy	CL Screening Laboratory
14 Renal Supplies in the Home	44 Home Health Visits	73 Diagnostic Medical	A2 Professional (Physician) Visit - Skilled Nursing Facility	BE Massage Therapy	CM Mammogram, HR Patient
15 Alternate Method Dialysis	45 Hospice	74 Private Duty Nursing	A3 Professional (Physician) Visit - Home	BF Pulmonary Rehabilitation	CN Mammogram, LR Patient
16 Chronic Renal Disease (CRD) Equipment	46 Respite Care	75 Prosthetic Device	A4 Psychiatric	BG Cardiac Rehabilitation	CO Flu Vaccination
17 Pre-Admission Testing	47 Hospital	76 Dialysis	A5 Psychiatric - Room and Board	BH Pediatric	DM Durable Medical Equipment
18 Durable Medical Equipment Rental	48 Hospital - Inpatient	77 Otological Exam	A9 Rehabilitation	BI Nursery	MH Mental Health
19 Pneumonia Vaccine	49 Hospital - Room and Board	78 Chemotherapy	AA Rehabilitation - Room and Board	BJ Skin	PT Physical Therapy
20 Second Surgical Opinion	50 Hospital - Outpatient	79 Allergy Testing	AB Rehabilitation - Inpatient	BK Orthopedic	UC Urgent Care
21 Third Surgical Opinion	51 Hospital - Emergency Accident	80 Immunizations	AC Rehabilitation - Outpatient	BL Cardiac	
22 Social Work	52 Hospital - Emergency Medical	81 Routine Physical	AD Occupational Therapy	BM Lymphatic	
23 Diagnostic Dental	53 Hospital - Ambulatory Surgical	82 Family Planning	AE Physical Medicine	BN Gastrointestinal	
24 Periodontics	54 Long Term Care	83 Infertility	AF Speech Therapy	BP Endocrine	
25 Restorative	55 Major Medical	84 Abortion	AG Skilled Nursing Care	BQ Neurology	
26 Endodontic	56 Medically Related Transportation	85 AIDS		BR Eye	
27 Maxillofacial Prosthetics	57 Air Transportation	86 Emergency Services		BS Invasive Procedures	
28 Adjunctive Dental Services	58 Cabulance	87 Cancer			
	59 Licensed Ambulance	88 Pharmacy			



The full listing can also be found in the iLinkBlue User Guide on our Provider page at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources >Manuals.

Coverage – Out of Area

BlueCard - Out of Area Members

[Submit Eligibility Request \(270\)](#)

[View Eligibility Response \(271\)](#)

View Eligibility Response (271) – access the electronic response from the member's Blue Plan. Though not immediate, Blue Plans usually transmit out of area responses back within less than a minute if the Plan provides one. iLinkBlue retains eligibility responses for 21 days.

Eligibility Responses (271)					
					Delete
	Contract/ID Number	Subscriber Name (Last, First)	Patient Name (Last, First)	Current Policy Effective Date	View Response
☐	XXX123456789	Doe, John	Doe, Jane	01/01/2019	View Detail
Eligibility responses will be retained for 21 days.					
BlueCard Eligibility Coverage Inquiries 1-800-676-BLUE (2583).					

Coverage – Out of Area

The Policy Dates can be found on the 271 Eligibility Report.

BlueCard - Out of Area Members

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Eligibility Report (271)

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Coverage – Out of Area

The Eligibility Benefit Information displayed varies by contract. The information details is dependent on the home plan and how much information is shared with Louisiana Blue. **If provided by the home plan**, the Limitations Details will show detailed information.

Eligibility / Benefit Information

Click on category to browse for a specific benefit, or use the Expand All button to view a complete list of contract benefits.

[Expand All](#)[Collapse All](#)

+ Active Coverage Detail

+ Co-Insurance Detail

+ Co-Payment Detail

+ Deductible Detail

+ Limitations Detail

+ Out of Pocket (Stop Loss)

+ Benefit Disclaimer Detail

+ Contact Following Entity for

- Limitations Detail

Limitations

Eligibility Type(EB01) : Limitations
Coverage Level(EB02) : Individual
Service Type(EB03) : Chiropractic
Time Period(EB06) : Service Year
Monetary Amount(EB07) : \$1,000.00
In Plan Network Indicator(EB12) : Not Applicable
Message Text(FreeText) : ADDITIONAL OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PHYSICAL THERAPY AND SPEECH THERAPY VISITS ARE ALLOWED IF MEDICALLY NECESSARY. ~~

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Coverage – Out of Area

Providers can also use IVR to obtain BlueCard eligibility and benefits.

Interactive Voice Recognition (IVR)

Providers can also access this information through our Interactive Voice Recognition (IVR) by calling 1-800-676-2583.

- Say if you are calling for Eligibility and Benefits, Precertification or both.
- When asked if you are a healthcare provider, say Yes.
- Give the alpha prefix for the member's out-of-area policy to be connected to the appropriate Blue Plan.
- Press "1" to select Provider.
- Say or enter the numeric portion of the Provider NPI then press the pound (#) key.
- Press "1" to select Medical.
- Enter the numeric portion of the member ID as it appears on the member ID card.
- Enter the member's date of birth in the MMDDYYYY format to verify eligibility and benefits.

The Automated Benefit & Claim Status (IVR Navigation Guide) can be found on our Provider page at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources >Tidbits.

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The screenshot shows the 'providerTIDBIT' interface with the title 'Automated Benefits & Claim Status'. It includes a 'Customer Care Center' number (1-800-922-8866) and a list of required information for calling: Provider's NPI, Member ID Number, Member's 8-digit Date of Birth, and Provider's ZIP Code. Below this is a 'Provider Menu' with options: 1. Benefits, 2. Claims, 3. Authorizations, 4. An Out-of-state Policy, 5. A Payment Register Fax, or 6. None of the Above. A 'Next' button is at the bottom right.

Claims

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Claims Status Search – research paid/rejected or pending claims. You can also search by claim number.

Research Louisiana Blue/FEP and BlueCard - Out of Area claims.

Paid/Rejected Search

Paid/Rejected

Pending

Claim Number

1 Select a Provider

2 Contract Number

3 Date of Service *optional*

☒ Louisiana Blue / FEP
Do not include prefix

☐ BlueCard - Out of Area

From
To 08/18/2025

Search

Claims Status Search

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The **Paid/Rejected Claims** results screen provides information on paid or rejected claims. This includes amounts applied toward the deductible, copay, coinsurance or ineligible/rejected amounts.

For more information, click on:

- **Claim Number** to open a Claims Detail summary page for that processed claim line.
- **Ineligible/Rejected Amount** to view a code and description of the reason the amount was not paid.

Paid/Rejected Claims Results														
Showing 10 records		Filter:												
Claim Number	Patient Account Number	NPI	Date of Service	Processed Date	Paid Date	Payee	CPT/ HCPCS Code	Amount Charged	Deductible	Copay	Coinsurance	Total Paid	Ineligible/ Rejected Amount	Action Request
12345678900-1	ABC001234567	123456789	03/23/2019	04/23/2019	04/26/2019	P	G8752	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.00	AR
12345678900-2	ABC001234567	123456789	03/23/2019	04/23/2019	04/26/2019	P	G8427	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.00	AR
19876543200-1	ABC001234567	123456789	03/16/2019	04/09/2019	04/12/2019	P	99214	\$160.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$101.00	\$59.00	AR

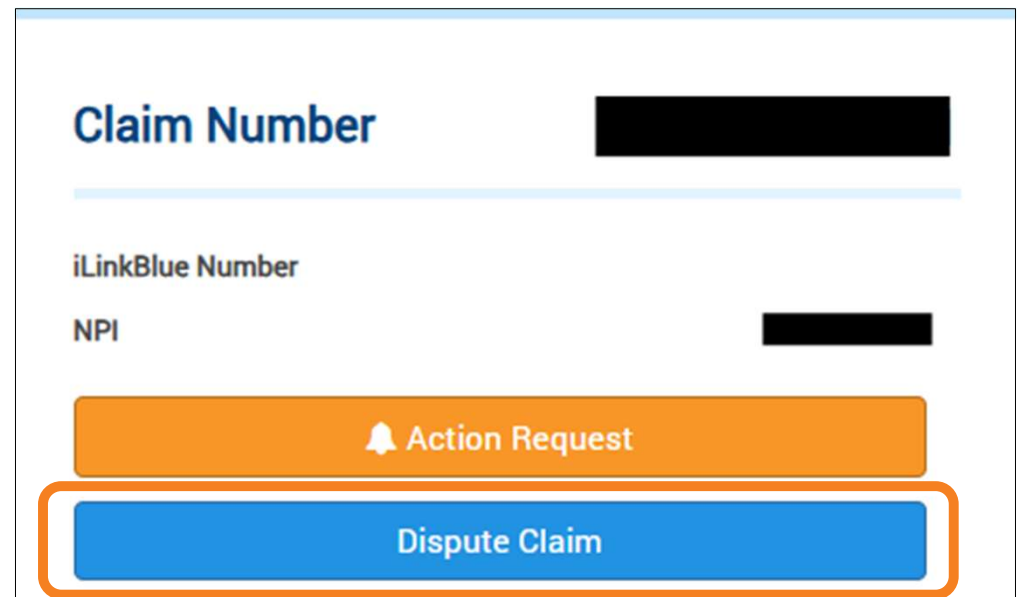
Provider Disputes Form Online

Coming
Dec. 1

Effective Dec. 1, Louisiana Blue will no longer accept disputes via document upload or fax.

Clicking on a claim number in the Paid/Rejected Claims Search will open the Claim Detail summary page for that processed claim.

Beginning Dec. 1, we will add a “Dispute Claim” button to the Paid/Rejected Claim Detail screen. Click the button to open the dispute form. The button will be on claims with a paid date less than 2 years prior to the current date.



The screenshot displays a web interface for a claim detail summary page. At the top, the label "Claim Number" is followed by a blacked-out text field. Below this, the labels "iLinkBlue Number" and "NPI" are followed by their respective blacked-out text fields. Two action buttons are visible: an orange button labeled "Action Request" with a bell icon, and a blue button labeled "Dispute Claim". The "Dispute Claim" button is highlighted with a thick orange border, indicating it is the focus of the announcement.

Claims Research

The **Pended Search** results screen provides information on claims that have pended.

Claims Research

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Paid/Rejected

Pended

Claim Number

1

Select a Provider

Choose one

2

Narrow Your Search

optional

☒ Louisiana Blue / FEP

Enter contract number...

Do not include prefix

☐ BlueCard - Out of Area

☐ APTC Grace Period

☐ All

3

Date of Service

optional

From

To

08/18/2025

Search

1. Select the appropriate provider
2. Determine what type of claim are searching (Louisiana Blue, FEP, etc.)
3. Enter date range (optional)

To view all pended claims, leave the “From” date of service field blank. The “To” date of service field will default to the current date.

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The **Pended Claims Results** screen provides information on pended claims on file. Click on a claim number to open the **Claims Detail** summary page for that claim. For more information, click on:

- **Claim Number** to open a Claims Detail summary page for that pended claim line.
- **Pended Error Code** to open a brief description of the reason the claim is pending.

Pended Claims Results							
Showing 10 records		Filter:					
Claim Number	Patient Account Number	Date of Service	Patient Name	Amount Charged	CPT/HCPCS Code	Pended Error Code	Action Request
14572368900-1	H400000001234567	04/11/2019	John Doe	\$513.00	29581PO	SL16	 AR
18976543200-1	H400000007654321	04/11/2019	Peggy Public	\$544.38	11900PO	SL16	 AR
16789854100-1	H400000003216547	04/07/2019	Jane Smith	\$167.00	99211	SL16	 AR

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The **Claim Number Search** allows you to search by specific claim number.

Paid/Rejected

Pended

Claim Number

1

Select a Provider

2

Enter a Claim Number

Choose one

Claim #

Search

Claims Research

Inpatient Unbundling Reports

Inpatient acute care claims are reviewed for billing accuracy based on the inpatient unbundling policy. Facilities can review automatically generated reports on how inpatient claims were unbundled and reprocessed.

This feature is available for participating acute facilities only. If you have no reports, it simply means you have no unbundled claims.

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Claims Status

To begin your search for claims status click on one of the tabs below.

Recent Unbundling Reports available! [Click here](#) to view those reports.

Paid/RejectedPendedClaim NumberUnbundling Reports

1 Select a Provider

Choose one

2 Contract Number

☒ Louisiana Blue / FEP

☐ BlueCard - Out of Area

Enter contract number...

Do not include prefix

3 Date of Service optional

From

To

08/25/2025

Search

The unbundling policy can be found in Section 5.14 of the *Member Provider Policy & Procedure Manual*.

Claims Research

Unbundling Report Example

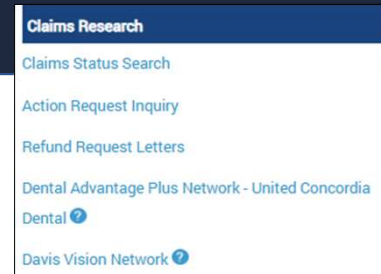
The unbundling report spreadsheet (sample below) identifies the billed claim charges a Louisiana Blue audit determined should bundle with room and board charges. To help the facility identify and calculate how an inpatient claim was reprocessed, the report includes the following data elements:

- **Disallowed Charges** – Indicates the dollar amount removed from the claim. Subtract this amount from the billed charges submitted on a claim from the facility DRG to calculate the allowed amount.
- **Revenue Code** – Identifies the revenue code of the disallowed charge.
- **Revenue Code Description** – Provides a description of the item or service for the revenue code of the disallowed charge.

Processed Date	Provider/Facility Name	PRPR ID	NPI	Tax ID	Patient Name	Date of Service	BCBSLA Claim Number	Contract ID	Revenue Code	Revenue Code Description	Disallowed Quantity	Disallowed Unit Cost	Disallowed Charges	Denial Code	Denial Reason
11/30/2023	Demo Regional Hospital	0000	7.20E+09	1.23E+08	STANELY CUP	10/22/2023	1.23456E+11	2.04E+10	300	Hc Venipuncture/bi Coll	-1	21	-21	bun	Supplies or Services not Separately Reimbursable
11/30/2023	Demo Regional Hospital	0000	7.20E+09	1.23E+08	STANELY CUP	10/22/2023	1.23456E+11	2.04E+10	250	SODIUM CHLORIDE 0.9% 0.9 % SYRG	-1	36.16	-36	bun	Supplies or Services not Separately Reimbursable
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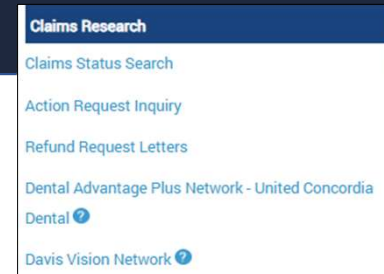
Action Requests Enhancements



Action requests allow you to electronically communicate with Louisiana Blue when you have questions or concerns about a claim. We have added the following enhancements:

- The notes field will allow up to 1,000 characters for users to better communicate their claim issue. In the past the limit was 250 characters.
- The Action Items drop-down list for reporting the type of issue has expanded from six to eight options. We have added “Facility Reimbursement” and “Professional Reimbursement” as options.
- iLinkBlue now adds case ID numbers to each action request. Users can use these as a reference when searching for requests.
- Your action requests load into our system for processing as soon as you submit. In the past there was a delay as action requests load into our system during nightly batch processing.

Action Requests Enhancements



Users may notice some additional changes because of these enhancements.

- Once you submit an action request, you will no longer be able to edit or delete that request.
- You will not be able to submit duplicate action request on the same claim. A message will display to remind you an existing request is open on the claim. We must close that request before you can enter a new action request on the same claim. You are still able to enter additional action requests for other claims.
- After clicking submit, you will receive a message asking for your confirmation to submit the action request. This is your final chance to make edits to your request before submitting. A blue processing bar will display as the action request transmits into our system for processing.
- If you receive an error message after clicking submit, there may have been an issue with creating your request. Check the Action Request Inquiry search to verify it was created. If the request is not found in your search, please enter the request again.
- After transmitted, the action request Answer History will indicate the request was routed to group workflow case. This means the request entered our system for processing and is not a response to the request.

Action Requests

Pended Claims Results							
Showing 10 records		Filter:					
Claim Number	Patient Account Number	Date of Service	Patient Name	Amount Charged	CPT/HCPCS Code	Pended Error Code	Action Request
14572368900-1	H400000001234567	04/11/2019	John Doe	\$513.00	29581PO	SL16	AR
18976543200-1						SL16	AR
16789854100-1						SL16	AR

Submit Action Request

To submit an action request, complete the fields below.

Action

Select One

First Name

First

Last Name

Last

Phone Number

XXX-XXX-XXXX

ext

Notes

Type the details of your request. Max 400 characters.

Submit Action Request

Claim Details

Contract Number

Claim Number

Date of Service

Date Processed

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When submitting an Action Request:

- Include your contact information.
- Be specific and detailed.
- Allow 10-15 working days for a response to each request.
- Check in Action Request Inquiry for a response.
- Only one Action Request can be open on the same claim at a time.

Refund Request Letters



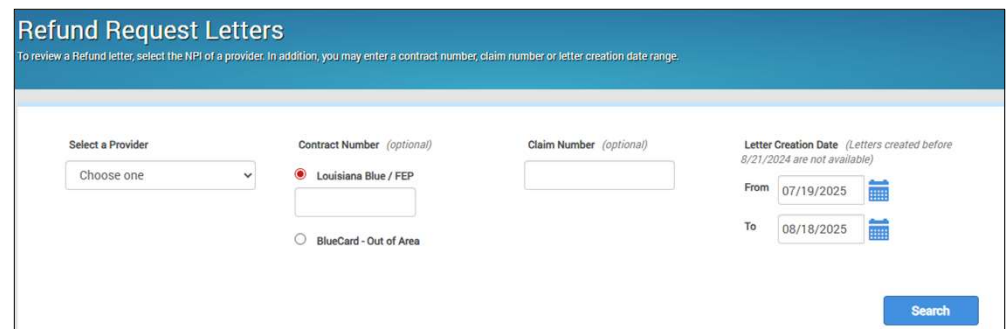
Providers now have access to electronic copies of Refund Request letters in iLinkBlue. The letters will be accessible for 24 months from their issue date. Letters created before Aug. 21, 2024, are not available.

To search for a refund letter, enter any or all of the following criteria:

- **Select a Provider** – Allows you to search by provider NPI. If no NPI is selected, search results will return letters for all the providers associated with your iLinkBlue access.
- **Contract Number** – Allows you to search by a member's contract number.
- **Claim Number** – Allows you to search by claim number. **Note:** Disregard letters are not generated with a claim number.
- **Letter Creation Date Range** – Allows you to search by the date span Louisiana Blue created the letter. If no date range is entered, the returned results will list letters created within the last 30 days.

The returned search results will display below this application. Click on a **“View”** button to access PDF copies of the refund or rationale letters.

Note: Rationale letters, if applicable, may display a day after the refund letters.

A search form titled "Refund Request Letters" with a subtitle "To review a Refund letter, select the NPI of a provider. In addition, you may enter a contract number, claim number or letter creation date range." The form contains four main sections: "Select a Provider" with a dropdown menu showing "Choose one"; "Contract Number (optional)" with a radio button for "Louisiana Blue / FEP" and a text input field; "Claim Number (optional)" with a text input field; and "Letter Creation Date (Letters created before 8/21/2024 are not available)" with "From" and "To" date pickers set to "07/19/2025" and "08/18/2025" respectively. A "Search" button is located at the bottom right.

Refund Request Letters



The **Refund Request Letters Results** grid displays key information that is extracted from letters:

- **Claim Number** – Identifies the claim the letter is associated with. This field will remain blank for refund letters created with multiple claim numbers.
- **NPI** – Lists the NPI number of the provider or clinic the letter is associated with.
- **Provider Name** – Identifies the provider addressed in the letter. **Note:** Letters are created in the practitioner, clinic or facility name.
- **Contract Number** – Identifies the member ID number the letter is associated with.
- **Letter Creation Date** – Lists the date Louisiana Blue created the letter.
- **Patient Name** – Identifies the patient the letter is associated with.

Use the **Filter** search function to narrow the displayed results. Use the **Sort** function by the column headers to display results in ascending or descending order.

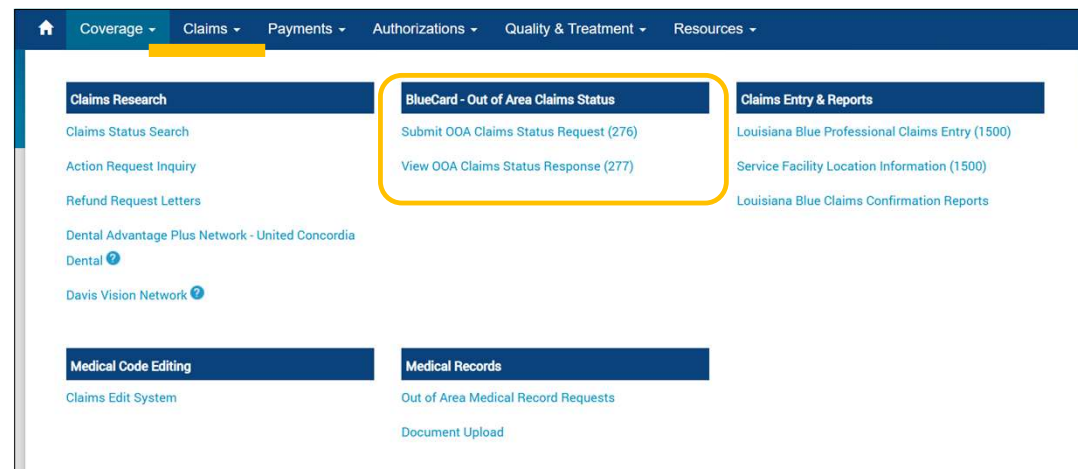
Refund Request Letters Results								
Showing 10 records		Filter:						
Claim Number	NPI	Provider Name	Contract Number	Letter Creation Date	Patient Name	Refund Letter	Rationale Letter	
987654321	1234567890	ABC CLINIC	1234567891	08/21/2024	RITA BOOK	View	View	
987456123	1234567890	ABC CLINIC	1224567891	08/21/2024	STANLEY CUPP	View	View	
987123456	1236549870	DOE, JANE	1234467891	08/21/2024	CHERRY BLOSSOM	View	View	
987112456	1237894560	STEIN, FRANK N.	1234467891	08/21/2024	PAGE TURNER	View	View	
987122456	1237984560	RIGHTUS, ARTHUR	1234467891	08/21/2024	ABBY NORMAL	View	View	

BlueCard – Out of Area Claims Status

We recommend using the [Claims Status Search](#) for claims research where Action Requests are available, if needed.

If your claim cannot be found using the Claims Status Search, the below features are available to search out of area claims status:

- [Submit OOA Claims Status Request \(276\)](#) – submit an electronic claim status inquiry to the out-of-area member's Blue Plan.
- [View OOA Claims Status Response \(277\)](#) – access the electronic response from the member's Blue Plan. Though not immediate, Blue Plans usually transmit out of area responses back within less than a minute.



Submitting Claims in iLinkBlue

Louisiana Blue Professional Claims Entry (1500) – follows the format of the HCFA 1500 form R (02-12).

If the claim entry contains errors, the edits will be listed under the “Error Messages” section at the top of the screen.

Error Messages:

1a. Insured's ID#

2. Patient's Name

LAST

FIRST

MI

3. Patient's Birth Date

MM/DD/YYYY

Sex

Male

Female

4. Insured's Name

LAST

FIRST

MI

5. Patient's Address

NO. STREET

City

State

LA

Zip Code

Phone

6. Patient's Relationship to Insured

Select

8. Reserved for NUCC Use

7. Insured's Address

NO. STREET

City

State

LA

Zip Code

Phone

When the claim is submitted and accepted, the provider will receive a confirmation message.

Claim for 12345678901; DOE, JANE has been submitted

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If you click the **Submit Claim** button and are sent to the iLinkBlue login screen, you were logged out because of inactivity.

During claim entry, if you stop to research information like a diagnosis or procedure code, be aware that security features of iLinkBlue will log you out **after 15 minutes of inactivity**.

For complete instructions on using the 1500 Form claim entry application, view our *iLinkBlue 1500 Claims Entry Manual* available under the Resources menu in iLinkBlue.



Louisiana Blue Claims Confirmation Reports

These reports allow providers to research Claims Confirmation for electronically submitted claims.

- Daily reports confirm if your claims submitted directly through iLinkBlue, billing agency or clearinghouse were accepted.
- Reports are available up to 120 days.
- The returned reports will display by date.

Blue Cross Claims Confirmation Reports

1 Select a Provider

1234567890

2 Report Type

☒ Accepted

☐ Not Accepted

3 Date Range *optional*

From Date

To Date 04/15/2019

Claims listed on the Accepted Report have moved into the BCBS claims processing system and require no further action. Claims listed on the Not Accepted Report contain errors and require correction and resubmission.

Search

Search Results for Accepted Claims

NPI	1234567890	View Report
		04/13/2019
		04/12/2019
		04/11/2019
		04/10/2019
		04/09/2019

Louisiana Blue Claims Confirmation Reports

- If you do not enter dates in the application's optional date range field, the returned results will list the last five reports by the date processed by Louisiana Blue. Click on a date under View Report to open that report.
- If you use a billing agency or clearinghouse, you can still use this application to confirm the claims processing systems at Louisiana Blue accepted your claims.

Blue Cross Claims Confirmation Reports

1 Select a Provider

1234567890

2 Report Type

☒ Accepted

☐ Not Accepted

3 Date Range *optional*

From Date

To Date 04/15/2019

Claims listed on the Accepted Report have moved into the BCBS claims processing system and require no further action. Claims listed on the Not Accepted Report contain errors and require correction and resubmission.

Search

Search Results for Accepted Claims

NPI 1234567890

View Report

04/13/2019

04/12/2019

04/11/2019

04/10/2019

04/09/2019

Reports are available within 24 hours of submitting claims prior to 3 p.m. CT and are available for up to 120 days.

Louisiana Blue Claims Confirmation Reports

Confirmation Reports indicate detailed claim information on transactions that were accepted or not accepted for processing. Providers are responsible for reviewing these reports and correcting claims on the Not Accepted report.

Accepted Report Example

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana 837 Accepted / Not Accepted / Warning Report Professional Claims Report							
SUBMITTER NUMBER: P0123456789 BC Red # 1234T5678Z NPI# 1234567891 BC ID # T5678 RECEIVE DATE: 04-12-19				SUBMITTER: ABCTESTCO PROVIDER: TEST REGIONAL HOSPITAL PROCESSING DATE: 04-12-19			
837P ACCEPTED REPORT							
PATIENT ACCOUNT NUM	PATIENT LAST NM	PATIENT FIRST NM	BC CONTRACT NUMBER	FROM DATE	THRU DATE	CLAIM AMOUNT	CH TRACKING NUMBER
L12345678	DOE	JOHN	XUA123456789	040819	040819	125.00	123459876123
PROVIDER BC ID # T5678 837P SUMMARY: 837P TOTAL CLAIMS ACCEPTED: 1 CLAIMS FOR \$125.00 837P TOTAL CLAIMS NOT ACCEPTED: 0 CLAIMS FOR \$0.00 837P TOTAL CLAIMS: 1 CLAIMS FOR \$125.00							
SUBMITTER: P0123456789 BHT03: 123456 TOTAL TRANSACTION SUMMARY: TOTAL CLAIMS ACCEPTED: 1 CLAIMS FOR \$125.00 TOTAL CLAIMS NOT ACCEPTED: 0 CLAIMS FOR \$0.00 GRAND TOTAL CLAIMS: 1 CLAIMS FOR \$125.00							

Non-Accepted Report Example

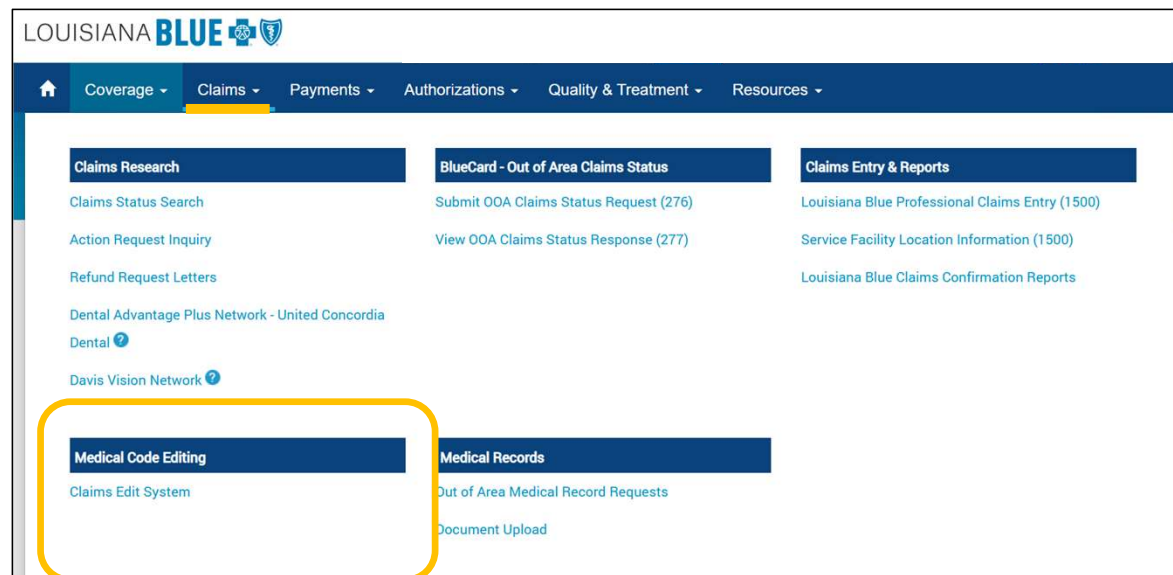
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana 837 Accepted / Not Accepted / Warning Report Professional Claims Report								
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837P NOT ACCEPTED REPORT								
PATIENT ACCOUNT NUM	PATIENT LAST NM	PATIENT FIRST NM	BC CONTRACT NUMBER	FROM DATE	THRU DATE	CLAIM AMOUNT	ERROR DESCRIPTION	ERROR DATA
L12345678	DOE	JOHN	XUA123456789	040419	040419	206.00	PROVIDER LOCATION IRS CONFLICT	987654321
L78945612	PUBLIC	PEGGY	XUH31456987	032019	032019	206.00	PROVIDER LOCATION IRS CONFLICT	987654321
PROVIDER BC ID # T5678 837P SUMMARY: 837P TOTAL CLAIMS ACCEPTED: 0 CLAIMS FOR \$0.00 837P TOTAL CLAIMS NOT ACCEPTED: 2 CLAIMS FOR \$412.00 837P TOTAL CLAIMS: 2 CLAIMS FOR \$412.00								
SUBMITTER: P0123456789 BHT03: 123456 TOTAL TRANSACTION SUMMARY: TOTAL CLAIMS ACCEPTED: 0 CLAIMS FOR \$0.00 TOTAL CLAIMS NOT ACCEPTED: 2 CLAIMS FOR \$412.00 GRAND TOTAL CLAIMS: 2 CLAIMS FOR \$412.00								

Medical Code Editing

Use this section to evaluate code combinations to help reduce time-consuming disputes.

Claims Edit System (CES) – This is an easy-to-use code-auditing reference application designed to help providers determine claim edit outcomes.

The CES application in iLinkBlue is not a pricing or a claims processing application. It is a research application designed to evaluate code combinations in the Louisiana Blue claims-editing system.



Medical Code Editing

The first screen you encounter in the CES application is the Claim Entry screen. It includes a tab for both professional and outpatient facility claims. Please make sure to select the correct tab for the applicable claim entry, as the edits and modifiers are not the same.

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Professional Claim Entry
Facility Claim Entry

This tool is applicable for Professional edits or Facility Outpatient edits. Please do not use this tool for Inpatient edits.

Gender: Male
Date of Birth:
Claim Type: Professional

Add Lines
Submit

Line	Beg DOS	End DOS	Procedure	Modifier	Units
1					
2					
3					

Medical Code Editing

When entering CPT®/HCPCS codes into the CES application, remember the following:

- The CES application does not guarantee claims payment.
- The results of the software do not consider all circumstances and factors that may affect payment including, but may not be limited to:

For Professional Claim Entry:

- Historical claims previously billed
- Units billed
- Global day edits for procedures
- Multiple procedure reduction
- Member benefits and eligibility
- Provider contracts
- Modifiers that override edits

For Facility Claim Entry:

- Historical claims previously billed
- Multiple procedure reduction
- Member benefits and eligibility
- Provider contracts
- Modifiers that override edits
- Max frequency edits

CES – Professional Claims

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This tool is applicable for Professional edits or Facility Outpatient edits. Please do not use this tool for Inpatient edits.

Professional Claim Entry Facility Claim Entry

Gender: Date of Birth: Claim Type:

Line	Begin DOS	End DOS	Procedure	Modifier	Units	Amount	
1	08/18/2025	08/18/2025			1	0.0	x
2	08/18/2025	08/18/2025			1	0.0	x
3	08/18/2025	08/18/2025			1	0.0	x

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Our **Claims Editing System (CES)** calculates code-edit outcomes. On the **Professional Claim Entry** screen, you can enter codes for a professional claim. The available fields and accepted values include:

- Gender
- Date of Birth
- Claim type – Select professional
- Beginning date of service (DOS)
- End date of service (DOS)
- Procedure – Valid CPT code must be submitted
- Modifier – Appropriate modifier for this CPT code
- Units – Enter the number of units, this field defaults to a value of one

Click the “Add Lines” button if more than three codes are on your claim. After entering all applicable information, click “Submit” to generate CES system review results.

CES – Professional Claims

The claim line information entered by the user displays under **Original Lines**. The Louisiana Blue CES system review of the claim lines appear under the **Claims Analysis Results**.

- When the claim line is compatible, no edit results are generated. The Flag Status will indicate “CLEAN LINE.”
- When the claim line is not compatible, the Flag Status displays information on the potential claim edit.

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This tool is applicable for Professional entry or Facility Outpatient entry. Please do not use this tool for Inpatient entry.

Professional Claim Entry Facility Claim Entry

Type: ☒ Inpatient ☐ Outpatient

Type of Bill: Claim Type: Statement From: Through: Admit Date: Admit Type:

Patient Information

Gender: Date of Birth: Patient Status:

Add Lines

Line	HCPCS/PPS	Modifier	Date	Units	Total Charges	Flag Status
1			08/19/2028	1	ES	X
2			08/19/2028	1	ES	X
3			08/19/2028	1	ES	X

Diagnoses

Diagnosis Code POA

Principal

Admitting

Other Codes

Diagnosis Code POA

Other

Procedures

Principal

Other Codes

Procedure Code Date

Other

Additional Fields

CES – Professional Claims

In the example below, the Claim Analysis Results show that the Louisiana Blue CES system lets all procedure codes be entered on the claim. For example: CPT codes 99201, 81002 and 81003.

The results will show procedure code 81002 would deny because it has an exclusive relationship with code 81003.

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Professional Claim Entry
Facility Claim Entry

This tool is applicable for Professional edits or Facility Outpatient edits. Please do not use this tool for Inpatient edits.

Gender: M Birth Year: Claim Type: Professional

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Original Lines

Line	Beg DOS	End DOS	Procedure	Modifier	Units	Status
1	06/26/2019	06/26/2019	99201		1	A
2	06/26/2019	06/26/2019	81002		1	A
3	06/26/2019	06/26/2019	81003		1	A

Claim Analysis Results

Line ID	Adj. Procedure Code	Adj. Units	Adj. Change	Flags
1	99201	1	0.0	CLEAN LINE
2	81002	1	0.0	Flag Description Flag Status Disclosure [Pattern 23400] Procedure Code 81002 has an exclusive relationship with Procedure Code 81003 on Claim Portal Claim_O 390115, Ext/Int Line ID3. Deny An Unbundled Procedure flag identified procedure codes that should not be submitted together. An appropriate modifier may override the relationship. This is based on guidelines from nationally recognized sources, such as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and recognized coding guidelines from the American Medical Association (AMA) and various specialty societies. Certain CPT and HCPCS codes are considered unbundled, incidental or exclusive and should not be submitted.
3	81003	1	0.0	CLEAN LINE

CES – Professional Claims

What **edits** or **overrides** are included in our CES logic?

The CES application includes the following edits or overrides as they apply to a single code or code pairs:

- Modifier 25, 59 and 57 edit overrides
- Age edits
- Duplicate edits
- Mutually exclusive edits
- Incidental edits
- Visit processing edits
- Assist at surgery edits
- Pre/post op processing edits



CES – Facility Claims

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This tool is applicable for Professional edits or Facility Outpatient edits. Please do not use this tool for Inpatient edits.

Professional Claim Entry | **Facility Claim Entry**

Submit

Type ☒ Inpatient ☐ Outpatient

Type of Bill Claim Type Statement From Through Admit Date Admit Type

Patient Information

Gender Date of Birth Patient Status

Add Lines

Line	HCPCH/PPS	Modifier	Date	Units	Total Charges	
1			08/18/2025	1	0.0	X
2			08/18/2025	1	0.0	X
3			08/18/2025	1	0.0	X

The **Facility Claim Entry** screen is for entering codes for hospital outpatient and ambulatory surgery center (ASC) claims. **Do not use for inpatient claim edits.**

Required Fields:

- Type – select outpatient
- Type of Bill – enter an appropriate 3-digit type of bill
- Claim Type – select Facility Outpatient
- Statement From/Through – date range of the procedure
- Gender – this field defaults to Undefined
- HCPCH/PPS – enter the valid CPT/HCPCH code
- Modifier – appropriate modifier for this CPT code
- Units – enter the number of units, this field defaults to a value of one

CES – Facility Claims

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Professional Claim Entry
Facility Claim Entry

This tool is applicable for Professional edits or Facility Outpatient edits. Please do not use this tool for Inpatient edits.

Export to PDF New Claim

Type: Outpatient

Type of Bill 131 Claim Type Facility Outpatient Statement From 06/26/2019 Through 06/26/2019

Patient Information

Gender M Birth Year Patient Status

Claim Analysis Results

Line ID	Adj. Procedure Code	Adj. Units	Adj. Change	Flags
CLAIM CLEAN CLAIM				
1	36415	0	0.0	Flag Description Flag Status Disclosure [DDR LT-RT Updated BCLA4692] Procedure code 36415 is considered to be a component of the comprehensive code 83625 on claim ID PortalClaim_0.150630 Line ID 2 and this line should be denied. Review documentation to determine if a modifier is appropriate. Deny [DDR BCLA9 FE] Venipuncture service 36415 was billed within 3 days prior to lab service submitted on claim [PortalClaim_0.150630] Deny
2	83625	1	0.0	CLEAN LINE

Code Type:

Diagnoses
Reason(s) for Visit

Diagnosis Code

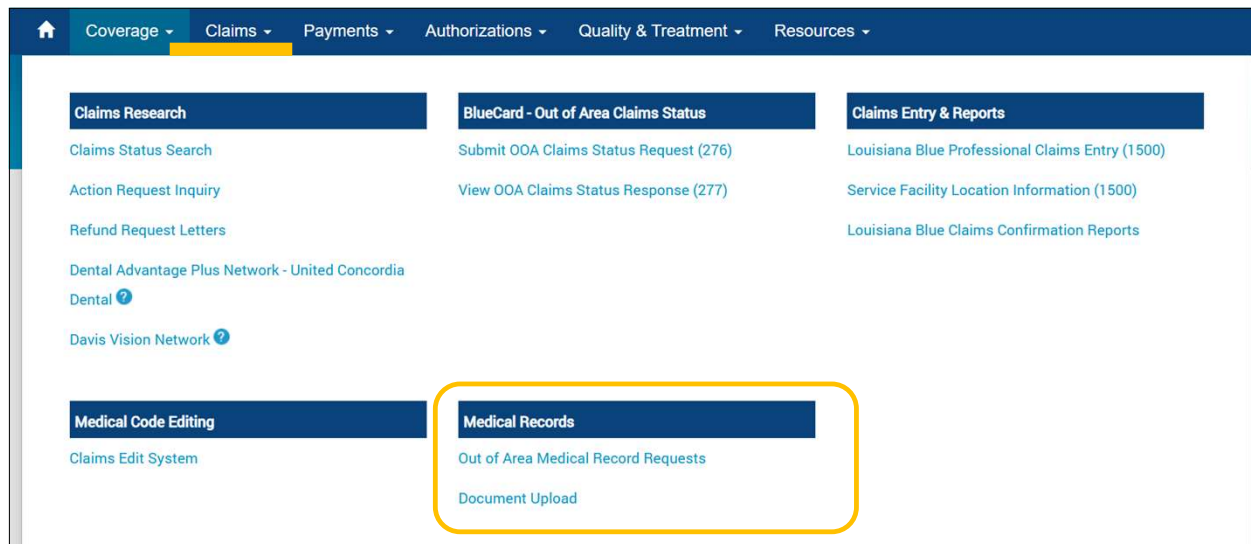
Diagnosis

Original Lines

Line	Rev Code	Modifier	Date	Units
1			06/26/2019	1
2			06/26/2019	1

Medical Records

Use this section to view medical record requests for your Out of Area (BlueCard®) patients. You can also securely upload documents to select Louisiana Blue departments.



Medical Records

Out of Area Medical Record Requests

Document Upload

Medical Records

Use the **Out of Area Medical Record Requests** option to research requests for medical records for **BlueCard** (out-of-area) member claims. You can research completed requests and Louisiana Blue receipt confirmation.

For more information on out of area medical record requests, view our Medical Record Guidelines for BlueCard® provider tidbit.

It is available online;
www.lablue.com/providers, click on “Resources” and look under “Tidbits.”

Medical Record Requests - Out of Area

Make selections below to complete research and handling of Medical Requests for out of area BCBS patients. Claims pended for medical records cannot complete processing until we receive the information requested.

1 Request Status

☒ Outstanding Requests

☐ Requests Completed by Provider

☐ Requests Received by BCBSLA

2 Select Provider

Search Records

This application is not for medical record requests for Louisiana Blue (including HMO Louisiana) members.

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Medical Record Guidelines for BlueCard®

- Always direct medical records submissions to Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana when requested. You will be alerted of BlueCard medical record requests through our secure online tool www.lablue.com/providers. These alerts will be visible on the LinkBlue home page.
- If a claim denies for one of the following reasons: "lack of information received," "additional information needed" or "missing or requested information," wait until you receive a medical records request in LinkBlue before submitting records. For these types of denials, providers should wait 10 business days to allow us time to send a request for medical records. If you do not receive a request after 10 business days, contact customer service to verify the exact information needed.
- Send medical records to us within 10 business days after receiving an alert.
- Include a printed copy of the LinkBlue medical record alert as the cover or first page of your submission.

Do NOT submit BlueCard Medical Records:

- unless you receive a request from Louisiana Blue
- with a copy of the original claim as an attachment
- without the request for medical records notification from LinkBlue attached
- by certified mail

Once confirmed that an original claim needs, please allow 30 days for Louisiana Blue and/or the member's Blue Plan to complete the review process. If you receive no response after 30 days, please follow-up with us by calling the Customer Care Center at 1-800-522-5555.

7/20/2019

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Document Upload

1 Select the Department
Fax numbers are included only as a reference to assist in selecting the correct department.

Choose One

Choose one

- Payment Integrity: Fax 225-298-7675
- ACA Risk Optimization: Fax 225-295-2166
- ITS Host Medical Records: Fax 225-298-7529
- Health and Quality Management (HEDIS): Fax 225-298-7411
- Federal Employee Program (FEP) Provider Appeals/Disputes: Fax 225-295-2364
- Medical Necessity & Investigational Appeals Only: Fax 225-298-1837
- Medical Records for Retrospective or Post Claim Review: Fax 1-800-515-1150
- Population Health: Fax 1-800-267-6548

Tips for Successful Document Upload

- Each upload should contain only one patient and include the member's name, date of birth and contract number. Do not send multiple patients in a single upload.
- Uploaded documents will be routed directly to the department selected. Selecting the wrong department could delay processing.
- Include any notification received from BCBSLA with the uploaded document. If submitting a Dispute or Appeal, include the appropriate form.
- If you have received a notification from BCBSLA with a department/fax number not listed in the dropdown, follow the instructions on the notice.
- Do not resubmit the uploaded documents via fax or hardcopy. Sending duplicate requests could delay processing.

[Document Upload FAQs](#)

Document Upload Frequently Asked Questions can be found here.

Document Upload - upload documents that would otherwise be faxed, emailed or mailed.

Once Louisiana Blue receives the uploaded document, a confirmation message will display, "The uploaded file was successfully received and sent to XXX Department at HHMMSS am/pm, MM/DD/YY. The transaction ID is XXXXX."

Medical Records

Out of Area Medical Record Requests

Document Upload

Louisiana Blue accepts document uploads for:

- Payment Integrity
- ACA Risk Optimization
- ITS Host Medical Records
- Health and Quality Management (HEDIS)
- Federal Employee Program (FEP) Provider Appeals/Disputes
- Medical Necessity & Investigational Appeals
- Medical Records for Retrospective or Post Claim Review
- Population Health

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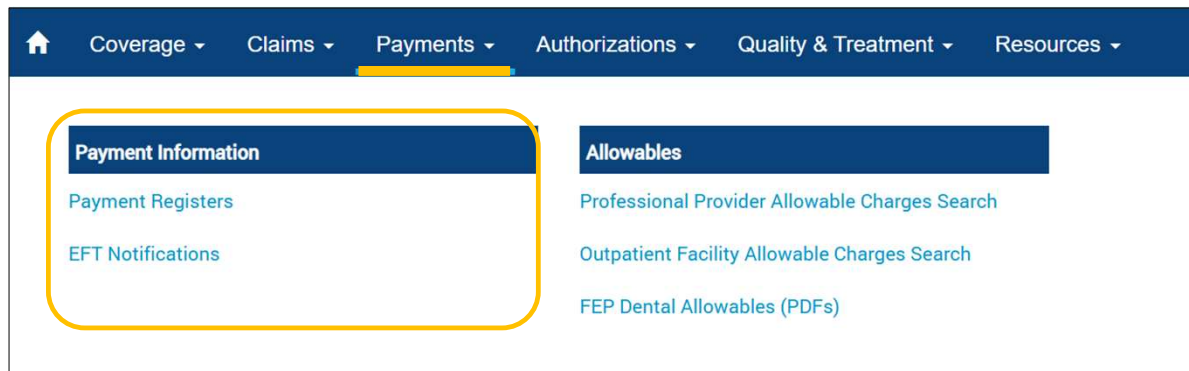
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Payment Information



Use this section to access your Louisiana Blue payment information. Two years of payment registers and EFT notifications are available in iLinkBlue. EFT notifications for the week appear in the search results.

- **Payment Registers** – view, print or save your payment registers. If you have access to multiple NPIs, registers will be available for each.
- **EFT Notifications** – view Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Notifications. If you have access to multiple NPIs, EFT notifications will be available for each.

Payment Information

Need a past EFT Notification/Payment Register?

Weekly EFT notifications and payment registers are available to providers on Mondays, based on claims payments from the previous week.

Set the calendar feature in the search feature to the date of a Monday within the last two years. This allows you to see past EFT notifications or payment registers.

Payment Information

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Payment Registers

View payment registers for all lines of business. Use the filters below to refine your search.

Select a provider

Select a line of business

07/06/2020

Search

Search results for 07/06/2020

*** Some registers may take several minutes to generate a PDF due to the size of the register.

NPI 1234567890

Line of Business

View Reports

Blue Cross Louisiana	Payment Register
Blue Cross Louisiana	Payment Register
Blue Cross Louisiana	Payment Register
Federal Employees Program (FEP)	Payment Register
Federal Employees Program (FEP)	Payment Register
HRAO Louisiana	Payment Register
HRAO Louisiana	Payment Register
OGB HRAO Magnolia Local Plus	Payment Register
OGB HRAO Magnolia Local Plus	Payment Register
OGB Magnolia Local	Payment Register
OGB Pelican HRA 1000	Payment Register
OGB PPO Magnolia Open Access	Payment Register
OGB PPO Magnolia Open Access	Payment Register
OGB PPO Magnolia Open Access	Payment Register

NPI 2234567890

Line of Business

View Reports

Blue Cross Louisiana	Payment Register
Federal Employees Program (FEP)	Payment Register
HRAO Louisiana	Payment Register
OGB HRAO Magnolia Local Plus	Payment Register

Allowable Research



iLinkBlue includes two applications you can use to research Louisiana Blue allowables:

- **Professional Provider Allowable Charges Search**
- **Outpatient Facility Allowable Charges Search**
- **FEP Dental Allowables (PDFs)** – this section includes printable PDFs for FEP Preferred Network dentists.

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Professional Allowable Search

To begin an allowable charges search, enter a date and select a provider.

1 Select a Date

2 Select a Provider

3 Select a Network

4 Enter a CPT Code*

* An asterisk (*) can be used as a wild card (ex 99*)

Professional Allowable Search

- When searching for an allowable charge enter the date of service, appropriate network and the code.
- The date of service is important because you can search current, past or future (when available) allowable charges.



Providers must use iLinkBlue for professional allowable charges. These services are no longer supported by our Customer Care Center.

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Outpatient Facility Allowable Charges Search

To begin an outpatient facility allowable charges search, enter a date and select a facility.

If you participate in a network that is not found in the Select a Network drop box, please contact Network Administration at 800.716.2299 for assistance.

Search by Code

Fee Schedule Request

1 Select a Date

11/01/2022



2 Select a Facility

Select a facility



3 Select a Network

Select a Network



4 Enter a CPT/HCPCS Code*

Continue

Reset

View Allowables

* An asterisk (*) can be used as a wild card (ex 99*)

Outpatient Facility Allowable Charges Search

This application is for acute-care hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers (ASCs) that are on a contracted fee schedule only.

- When searching for an allowable charge enter the date of service, appropriate network and the code.
- The date of service is important because you can search current, past or future (when available) allowable charges.

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Example

Search results will display the outpatient facility allowable charge in the **Contracted Fee** section.

Select a Date

01/01/2022

Select a Facility

1234567890 - ABC Medical Center

Select a Network

PREFERRED CARE PPO (Blue)

Enter a CPT/HCPCS Code*

99214

Continue

Reset

View Allowables

* An asterisk (*) can be used as a wild card (ex 99*)

Outpatient Facility Allowable Charge Results for ABC Medical Center NPI 1234567890 for the PREFERRED CARE PPO (Blue Cross) Network

Date Created: 06/09/2022 9:09:20 AM

Schedule: AB

Fees effective as of: 01/01/2022

Disclaimer: The rates shown are confidential and proprietary to BCBSLA and/or HMOLA and are not to be disclosed to third parties.
Note that provider services are subject to clinical editing prior to pricing. Modifiers may affect the price/rate shown. Rounding differences may appear due to the application of units, modifiers, multiple procedure logic, etc. Inclusion of a price/rate on this schedule does NOT guarantee that the service is covered under all subscriber contracts/certificates or that it is a billable service (i.e., deleted code). The fees listed are effective as of the date noted above. Fees may change periodically.
Further, while an effort has been made to provide complete information, errors and typographical mistakes sometimes occur. Providers are advised NOT to rely exclusively on this data, which is provided for the purpose of convenience. In case of a conflict, please refer to your written provider agreement with BCBSLA and/or HMOLA and subsequent amendments to it. If you have any questions about fees, please contact the Network Administration Division at 1-800-716-2299.

Show 10 entries

Search:

CPT/HCPCS Code	Code Classification	Schedule Name	Schedule Fee	Network %	Contracted Fee	Comments
99214	D&T	AB	\$100.00	110.00%	\$110.00	---

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Percent of Charge Example

Search results for an active code not on the outpatient reimbursement fee schedule will display a percent of billed charges in the **Comments** section.

Outpatient Facility Allowable Charge Results for ABC Medical Center NPI 1234567890 for the PREFERRED CARE PPO (Blue Cross) Network

Date Created: 06/09/2022 9:09:20 AM Fees effective as of: 01/01/2022

Schedule: Not Applicable

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Show 10 entries Search:

CPT/HCPCS Code	Code Classification	Schedule Name	Schedule Fee	Network %	Contracted Fee	Comments
99231	D&T	---	---	---		50% of charge

Showing 1 to 1 of 1 entries Previous **1** Next

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No Allowable Charge Available Example

Search results will display the message “Allowable charges are not available for the code and/or date requested,” when attempting to research allowable charges for a participating facility that does not have a contracted fee schedule for the dates of service requested.

Outpatient Facility Allowable Charge Results for XYZ Medical Center NPI 9876543210 for the PREFERRED CARE PPO (Blue Cross) Network

Date Created: 06/09/2022 9:09:20 AM **Fees effective as of:** 01/01/2022

Schedule: Not Applicable

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Show 10 entries

Search:

CPT/HCPCS Code	Code Classification	Schedule Name	Schedule Fee	Network %	Contracted Fee	Comments
Allowable charges are not available for the code and/or date requested						

Showing 0 to 0 of 0 entries

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Fee Schedule Request

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To request a full outpatient fee schedule for a facility, enter a date up to two years prior to the current date. Select the facility provider by name and NPI. Click the “Continue” button. Select the appropriate Louisiana Blue network. Then click on “**Request Full Fee Schedule**” to submit your request. Allow up to two business days for a full fee schedule response to be returned.

Search by Code

Fee Schedule Request

1

Select a Date

11/01/2022



2

Select a Facility

Select a facility

▼

3

Select a Network

Select a Network

▼

Continue

Reset

Request Full Fee Schedule

Please allow up to 2 business days for a full fee schedule to be returned.
Note, the fee schedule is effective as of the date requested.

Fee Schedule Request Example

Returned fee schedule results will include the following information:

- **Requested By** – Indicates the email address of the individual who submitted the fee schedule request.
- **Provider Name** – Is the facility the fee schedule was generated for.
- **Network** – Identifies the Louisiana Blue network of the fee schedule.
- **Effective Date** – Indicates the date the fees are effective.
- **Request Date** – Is the date the fee schedule request was submitted.
- **Status** – Will display “Completed” when the full fee schedule request is returned and ready for viewing.

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Full Fee Schedule Results						
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Show 10 entries			Search:			
Requested By	Provider Name	Network	Effective Date	Request Date	Status	
Teri.Dactyl@hospital.com	Demo Regional Hospital	PCAREPPO	10/01/2022	10/25/2022	Completed	View
Teri.Dactyl@hospital.com	Demo Regional Hospital	HMOLA	10/01/2022	10/25/2022	Completed	View
Showing 1 to 2 of 2 entries						Previous 1 Next

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Authorizations



The Authorizations section of iLinkBlue includes resources and applications for both **Louisiana Blue Members** and **Out of Area Members**.

Many of the applications in this section require a higher level of security access.

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Louisiana Blue Authorizations* – submit and research authorizations for Louisiana Blue members. Upload clinical information.

Behavioral Health Authorizations* – behavioral health providers can request authorizations for behavioral health services and submit clinical information electronically.

Carelton Authorizations – submit and research authorizations for outpatient high-tech radiology, diagnostic, cardiology services, sleep study, genetic testing, radiation oncology and musculoskeletal (MSK) joint surgery, spine surgery, spine pain management authorizations. This web-based application is facilitated by Carelon.



*Your organization's administrative representative must grant you user access to these applications.

Louisiana Blue Authorizations Application

The Louisiana Blue Authorizations application is powered by **Epic Systems Corporation** (Epic) and designed to be user friendly and efficient for providers and their staff. If you do not have access, contact your organizations administrative representative.

Resources about this new application are available online:

- View Frequently Asked Questions at www.lablue.com/providers >Electronic Services >Authorizations, under the quick links section.
- Access the *Louisiana Blue Authorizations Application User Guide* in iLinkBlue (www.lablue/ilinkblue) under Resources.
- Video demonstrations for Inpatient/Outpatient authorizations are also available in iLinkBlue, under Resources.



Provider Training for the new application is available by contacting the Provider Relations Department at provider.relations@lablue.com.

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Medical Policy Guidelines* – access the Louisiana Blue medical policy index to research Louisiana Blue’s medical policies. Search for policies alphabetically by title or use the search bar to look by keywords or codes.

Medical Policies

[Keyword](#)[Letter](#)[View All](#)



Please choose how you want to search for medical policies.



*This application is also available on the Provider page; www.lablue.com/providers >Medical Management >Medical Policies.

Authorizations Louisiana Blue Members

Lab Reimbursement Policies* – access the policies used as part of Louisiana Blue’s Lab Benefit Management Program. These policies are managed by Avalon.

FEP Medical Policy Guidelines – access medical policies that govern claims for Federal Employee Program members.

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Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana Health Laboratory Testing Policies

Louisiana Blue has partnered with Avalon Healthcare Solutions for Laboratory Benefits Management (LBM) in order to administer Avalon’s Routine Testing Management (RTM), a post-service pre-payment clinical claim editing program. The laboratory testing policies for the RTM program are accessible through the links below. These policies are specific to Louisiana Blue network and product requirements and in alignment with its policies, rules, and/or state and federal contracts. In the event of a conflict, Louisiana Blue’s policies, rules, and/or state and federal contracts will take precedence.

The RTM policies below are effective for claims with a date of service of May 15th, 2022, and later.



*This application is also available on the Provider page; www.lablue.com/providers >Medical Management >Lab Management.

Authorizations Out of Area Members

Out of Area (Pre-Service Review – EPA)

This application routes you to the BlueCard member's Blue Plan.

Enter the member ID prefix into the application to access pre-service capabilities, processes and requirements for your BlueCard patient.

Authorizations - Out of Area Members
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[Medical Policy Guidelines](#)

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Delegated Access

Pre-Service Review for Out of Area Members

Includes Notifications Pre-Certification, Pre-Authorization and Prior Approval

Enter the first three letters of the member's identification number on the Blue Cross Blue Shield ID card, and click "Submit".

☒ I have verified the pre-service requirements for this member

Submit

Enter the member's prefix to access general pre-authorization/pre-certification information.

 **BlueCross® BlueShield®**
Blue Product ALPHA
Employer Group

Member Name	Dependents
Member Name	Dependent One
Member ID	Dependent Two
XYZ 23456789	Dependent Three
Group No.	Plan
023457	PPO
Benefit Plan	Office Visit
HIOPT	\$15
Effective Date	Specialist Copay
00/00/00	\$75
	Emergency Deductible
	\$50

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Authorizations

Out of Area Members

Authorizations - Out of Area Members

[Out of Area \(Pre Service Review – EPA\)](#)

[Medical Policy Guidelines](#)

Medical Policy Guidelines

Just as Louisiana Blue publishes medical policies for services provided to our members, it is the same for other Blue Plans. Use this application to access medical policies for BlueCard (out-of-area) members.

Enter the member ID prefix to be routed to the member's Blue Plan to research applicable medical policy information.

Out of Area Medical Policy Coverage Guidelines

To view the out-of-area Blue Plan's medical policy information, please enter the first three letters of the member's identification number on the Blue Cross Blue Shield ID card, and click "submit".

Prefix

Submit

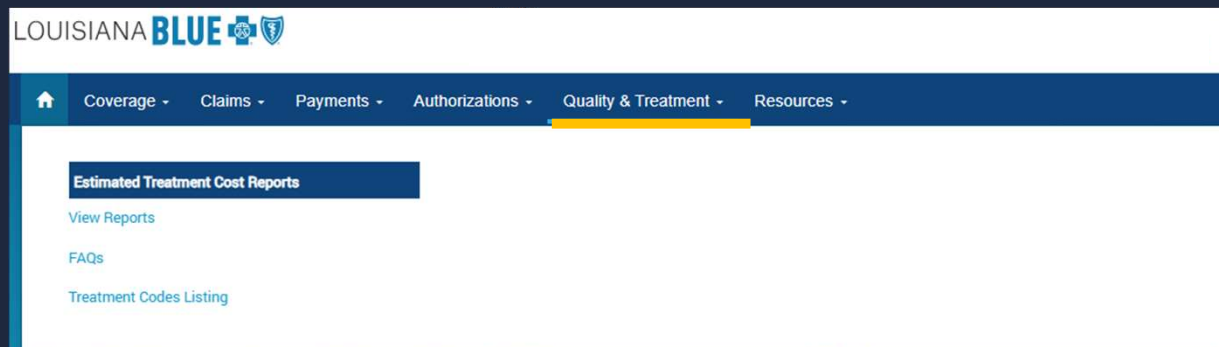
Changes to Authorizations Numbers

- Effective Sept. 3, 2025, Louisiana Blue Authorizations application began using the referral ID number assigned to a request as the authorization number. Referral ID numbers begin with the letter “B” and appear in the top left of the Referral Details screen.
- The Referral Details screen will identify new authorization numbers in the Authorizations section. The new authorization numbers will begin with the letter “L.”
- Providers use the new “L” authorization numbers for claims submission and processing. Only use the referral ID numbers as a reference number for the request.



This change will not alter the process for adding additional service requests or extension requests to an authorization. Continue to add these to the authorization via the Add Note/Attachment feature accessed on the Referral Details screen.

Quality & Treatment



Estimated Treatment Costs

Estimated Treatment Cost Reports

[View Reports](#)

[FAQs](#)

[Treatment Codes Listing](#)

Louisiana Blue has an Estimated Treatment Cost Tool that allows our Preferred Care PPO members to view information about the value you bring to the healthcare community. What members see are PPO costs displayed on the national Blue Cross Blue Shield Association (BCBSA) Hospital & Doctor FinderSM website. Twice a year, we notify providers to review their refreshed cost data. Providers are asked to log into iLinkBlue during the 30-day review period. At the end of the period, the data is published to BCBSA.

View Cost Reports

Begin viewing cost reports by selecting a name from the listing.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana Estimated Treatment Cost Report

Provider Name: TEST PROVIDER

Provider Number: 12345

Provider NPI Number: 1234567890

Provider Address: 123 STREET ST. BATON ROUGE, LA 708080000

Reporting Period: 01/01/9999 TO 12/31/9999

Data Type: Professional Office Visit

Estimates include but are not limited to allowed claims for Facility, Ancillary, Physician, Lab, Radiology, and Diagnostic services.

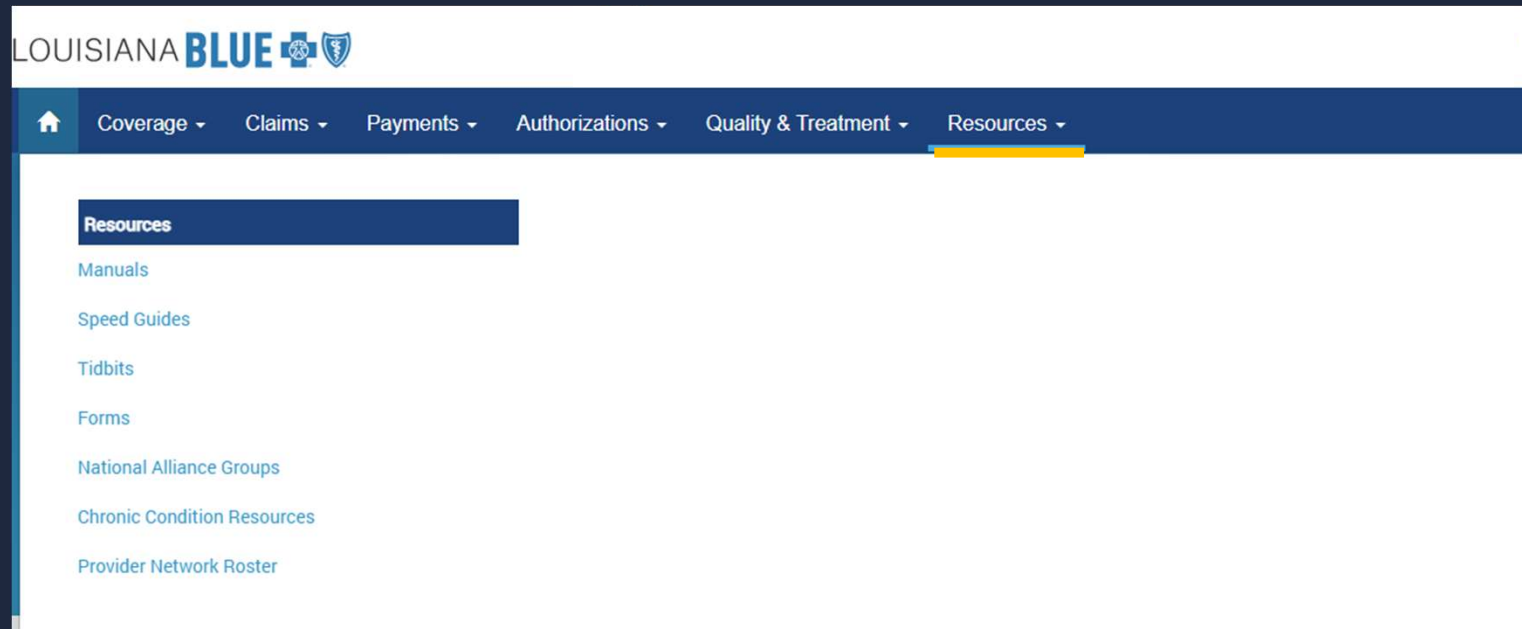
Cost Data Methodology

To submit a reconsideration on a specific cost, select a Treatment Description below

Search:

Treatment Category	BCBSLA Procedure Volume	Low Allowable Estimate	High Allowable Estimate	Typical Allowable
Established patient, low complexity, 15 minutes	63	\$69	\$69	\$69
Established patient, moderate complexity, 25 minutes	30	\$103	\$103	\$103
Existing Patient Preventative Checkup for an Adult (Age 18-	5	\$106	\$112	\$110

Resources



Resources

Manuals

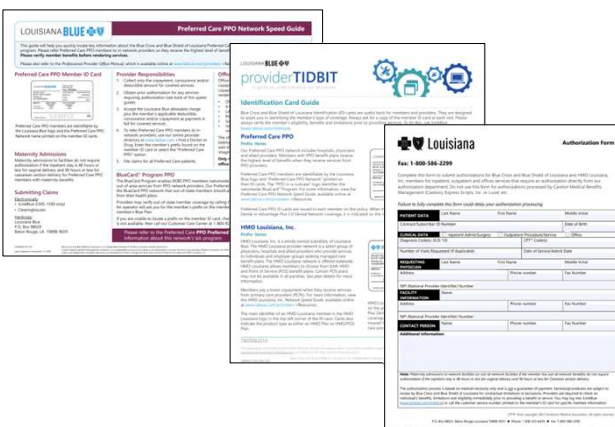
Most provider manuals are available on the Provider page (www.lablue.com/providers). There are also a few manuals that are found on iLinkBlue only; *Louisiana Blue Authorizations Application User Guide* and the *iLinkBlue 1500 Claims Entry*

Speed Guides, Tidbits and Forms

These are quick reference guides and forms designed to help providers with their Louisiana Blue needs. They are available on the Provider page with quick links in iLinkBlue.

National Alliance Groups

This is a complete listing of our National Alliance self-funded groups. The listing includes member ID prefixes for these groups.



Group	Effective Date	Alpha Prefix
Adams General Hospital	1/1/2018	044
Audubon Ambulance	1/1/2023	136
Associated Grocers	1/1/2012	835
Bollinger Pharmacy	1/1/2018	050
Carroll Parish Commission	1/1/2014	130
COB	1/1/2014	855
City of Monroe	1/1/2016	860
Coca-Cola	1/1/2013	133
Convent Bank & Trust	4/1/2016	896
Diocese of Lafayette	1/1/2014	738
Enterprise Measurements of Our Lady Health System (EMOHS)	1/1/2020	188
Galena Marine Service	1/1/2018	000
Grand Isle Shipyard	3/1/2018	101
Gravel Corp.	4/1/2013	005
Home Bank	1/1/2018	845
Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office	1/1/2018	862
Lafayette City Parish Government	1/1/2013	137
Life Shores	1/1/2015	137
Charger Bank	1/1/2018	138
PHS Holdings	1/1/2018	846
Randa Corp	1/1/2019	809
Ray O Marine Services LLC	1/1/2015	892
Scott Equipment	10/1/2013	309
Thibodaux Regional Health System	1/1/2018	142
Tulane University	1/1/2022	796
WHC Energy Services	1/1/2018	450
Ever-nip	1/1/2014	628

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Provider Rosters now Available

NEW

This new self-service feature allows providers to view their Network Rosters. You can find this under the “Resources” menu option, then click “Provider Network Roster.”

This allows providers to view:

- all practitioners tied to a group TIN,
- what networks they operate in,
- effective dates of their credentials in that network.

You may also narrow your searches by NPI and provider network.

The screenshot displays the 'Provider Network Roster' web application. At the top, a blue header contains the title 'Provider Network Roster' and a subtitle 'To narrow down the results, select a specific provider or network.' Below the header, a disclaimer states: 'If a practitioner is missing from the roster and a request was submitted less than 90 business days from today, please allow additional time to process, it can take up to 90 business days from the original date received to complete. If a practitioner is inadvertently missing, missing a location or a network, please submit the original request for each missing practitioner to PCDMstatus@lablue.com for review.'

The main interface features two dropdown menus for filtering: '1 Select a Provider' (currently showing 'All providers') and '2 Select a Network' (currently showing 'All networks'). A blue 'Search' button is located to the right of these filters. Below the filters, the section 'Provider Network Roster Results' is displayed. It includes a 'Showing 10 records' indicator, an 'Export' button, and a 'Filter:' input field. The results are presented in a table with the following columns: Provider Name, NPI #, Practice Address, Clinic/Facility NPI, Credentialing Date, Directory Indicator, Network, Effective Date, and Termination Date. The table contains several rows of data, with some rows highlighted in light blue.

iLinkBlue Support

iLinkBlue and EDI Support

The EDI Production Support team can assist you with iLinkBlue technical support. They also support system-to-system electronic transactions to Louisiana Blue. This team can assist you with the electronic clearinghouse submission of eligibility information, payment information and claims.

Phone:	1-800-716-2299, option 3
Email:	EDIservices@lablue.com
Business Hours:	Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CT (except holidays)

Provider Identity Management (PIM) Team

The PIM Team can assist with the administrative representative setup process and managing system access to our secure electronic services.

Phone:	1-800-716-2299, option 5
Email:	PIMteam@lablue.com
Business Hours:	Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. CT (except holidays)

iLinkBlue Training

Our **Provider Relations Representatives** are available to provide iLinkBlue training to providers and their staff.

To request iLinkBlue training, please send an email to provider.relations@lablue.com. Put “iLinkBlue Training” in the subject line.

Please include your:

- Name
- Organization name
- Contact information
- Brief description of the training you are requesting





Questions?



Appendix

Knowing Your Networks

Louisiana Blue offers many networks. All providers do not participate in all networks. In order to maximize benefits for your patients, you need to know which networks you participate in. This information can be found online at www.lablue.com > Find a Doctor or Drug > Find Care Provider Directory.

The screenshot shows the Louisiana Blue website interface. At the top, the logo 'LOUISIANA BLUE' is displayed next to a shield icon. Navigation links include 'Shop', 'Find a Doctor or Drug', 'Save', 'Wellness', 'Learn', and 'MyLABlue'. The main section is titled 'Find Care' and features a grid of links and resources. The 'Find Care Provider Directory' link is highlighted with an orange circle. Other visible links include 'Find Care Cost Estimator Tools', 'BlueDental Provider Directory', 'Blue Vision Directory', 'Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core', 'Federal Employee Program (FEP)', 'Medicare Advantage Provider Search', 'ER/OR Information', 'Blue Distinction Centers', and 'Pharmacy Directory'.

LOUISIANA BLUE

Shop Find a Doctor or Drug Save Wellness Learn MyLABlue

Find Care

Find a Doctor or Drug

Find Care

Find Care Provider Directory

Search for a provider near you or find other doctors in Louisiana and across the country.

Find Care Cost Estimator Tools

Log in to your account to understand cost estimates for common medical procedures or costs by billing code, based on your benefits.

Get Care from Anywhere!

Medical/Behavioral Visits Available

BlueCare lets you see doctors 24/7 for minor health issues or schedule appointments for behavioral health needs.

Other Directories

BlueDental Provider Directory

Blue Vision Directory

Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core

Federal Employee Program (FEP)

Medicare Advantage Provider Search

Rx Drug Resources

Find and Manage Medicine

Manage your medicine, find drug lists and learn how to save money.

Pharmacy Directory

Search Express Scripts' network for a retail pharmacy.

Hospital Based Physicians

ER/OR Information

Are you planning a hospital stay? If you just found out that you need surgery, or if you will be admitted to a hospital or ambulatory surgical center for any reason, you will most likely receive some care during your stay from a hospital-based physician. Learn more.

Blue Distinction Centers

Blue Distinction Centers

Blue Distinction recognizes hospitals for their expertise in performing certain types of surgeries or specialty care.

What is the BlueCard Program?

- A national program that enables members of one Blue Cross and Blue Shield (BCBS) plan to obtain in-network healthcare services while traveling or living in another BCBS Plan service area.
- It links participating healthcare providers with other Blue Plans across the country, and in more than 200 countries and territories worldwide, through a single electronic network for professional, outpatient and inpatient claims processing and reimbursement.
- Members have access to participating doctors and hospitals worldwide.



LOUISIANA BLUE		Preferred Care PPO Network
FULLY INSURED		
Member Name BLUE SUBSCRIBER	Grp/Subgroup: AAA00000/PPO4	
Member ID XUP000000000	RxMbr ID: 200000000	
	RxBIN: 000000 PCN-A4	
	RxGrp: BSLA	
	DEDUCTIBLE	OUT OF POCKET
	Individual	Individual
In Network	\$5500	\$5500
Out of Network	\$5500	\$5500
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CAA Surprise Billing Notice and Consent

The Consolidated Appropriations Act (CAA) 2021 includes the No Surprises Act, which governs how non-participating providers are allowed to bill patients. This Act prohibits non-participating providers from balance billing for non-emergency medical services performed at network facilities, with certain exceptions.

Under the law, the following providers are **not** permitted to ask patients to give up their balance-billing protections:

- Anesthesiologists
- Emergency room doctors
- Neonatologists
- Pathologists
- Radiologists
- And other ancillary providers as defined by the CAA 2021

CAA Surprise Billing Notice and Consent

Submitting Patient Notice and Consent

Providers can submit claims electronically or hardcopy. Providers must also submit a copy of the consent waiver to Louisiana Blue as documentation that the patient is waiving their protective rights for balance billing. To ensure that Louisiana Blue properly receives the consent documentation, please follow the claims filing guidelines below:

For Electronic Claims:

- Submit the claim electronically.
- Submit a copy of the signed consent waiver by mail, fax or email at the same time.
- Complete and include the Louisiana Blue CAA Consent Submission Form as a cover sheet. It is available at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources >Forms. Submission instructions are included on the form.

For Paper Claims:

- Submit the signed consent waiver as an attachment to your hardcopy claim form.

More Resources

Guide for Understanding APTC Grace Periods tidbit details how to research member APTC premium status information in iLinkBlue. The tidbit includes step-by-step instructions for researching an APTC Member's coverage status and claims. Find this tidbit online at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources.

Medical Record Guidelines for BlueCard tidbit explains how to access a provider's medical record requests for out-of-area members in iLinkBlue. The tidbit includes the steps for accessing and managing the medical record requests in iLinkBlue. Find this tidbit online at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources.

Submitting Corrected Claims tidbit includes the instructions for refiling a corrected CMS-1500 claim in iLinkBlue. Find this tidbit online at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources.

Provider Self-service Quick Reference Guide explains how to use iLinkBlue for member eligibility, claim status inquiries, professional allowable charge searches and medical policy searches. The guide also identifies the information our Customer Care Center will ask for if you have questions after using iLinkBlue. Find this guide online at www.lablue.com/providers >Resources.

Louisiana Blue Authorizations Application User Guide gives providers and facilities the instructions needed for submitting authorizations and clinical information through the Louisiana Blue Authorizations application. Find this guide under the Resources menu option in iLinkBlue.