

The Importance of Applying Taxonomy Codes

The Plan would like to reiterate the importance of applying a valid taxonomy code when submitting both paper and electronic claims. Not having the proper taxonomy code can affect the way claims are adjudicated, as this code is needed to identify providers in the claims processing system.

- ✓ Taxonomy allows the Plan to pay claims quickly and with a higher accuracy rate.
- ✓ Taxonomy also helps to identify the differences between provider specialty types.

This will be particularly helpful for **providers with multiple taxonomy codes**, i.e., a provider that is contracted as both a PCP and a cardiologist. If the Plan does not have the proper taxonomy code, providers run the risk of having claims denied or paid at the wrong reimbursement level. Having the taxonomy on the claim will also help ensure proper payment is made to **multi-specialty group providers** when specialty type is taken into consideration for reimbursement.

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<p>Where do I place taxonomy codes on CMS Forms?</p> <p style="color: #A52A2A; font-weight: bold; margin-top: 10px;">Please note that your taxonomy code needs to be entered either in the rendering loop box or in the billing loop box. It is not required to be entered in both places.</p>	<p>Paper:</p> <p><u>Rendering-</u> Box 24i should hold the qualifier of "ZZ". Box 24j (shaded area) should hold the taxonomy number</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 5px 0;"> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">F. \$ CHARGES</td> <td style="width: 15%;">G DAYS OR UNITS</td> <td style="width: 15%;">H EPSDT Family Plan</td> <td style="width: 15%;">I. ID. QUAL</td> <td style="width: 30%;">J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="border: 2px solid red;">ZZ</td> <td style="border: 2px solid red;">10 character Taxonomy</td> </tr> </table> </div> <p><u>Billing-</u> Box 33b should hold the qualifier of "ZZ" along with the taxonomy number</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 5px 0;"> <p style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 2px;">10 character Taxonomy preceded with "ZZ" qualifier Box 33b</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">a. NPI</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">b.</td> </tr> </table> </div> <p>Electronic:</p> <p><u>Rendering-</u> Loop 2310B PRV01 "PE" = Referring PRV02 = "ZZ" qualifier PRV03 = 10 character taxonomy code_</p> <p><u>Billing-</u> Loop 2000A-PRV01 "BI" PRV02 = "ZZ" qualifier PRV03 = 10 character taxonomy</p>	F. \$ CHARGES	G DAYS OR UNITS	H EPSDT Family Plan	I. ID. QUAL	J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #				ZZ	10 character Taxonomy	a. NPI	b.
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<p>Who do I contact with questions?</p>	<p>❖ See the following websites for additional information billing information: www.NUCC.org, www.NUBC.org and http://www.wpc-edi.com/.</p> <p>If you should have any other questions, please contact Provider Services at:</p> <p>1-888-888-9355 (Medicare) 1-800-278-0656 (HealthEase) 1-866-334-7927 (Staywell) 1-800-278-8178 (HealthEase Kids) 1-866-698-5437 (Staywell Kids)</p>												