

Revenue Code

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Healthy DC reimbursement policies and their resulting edits are based on guidelines from established industry sources, such as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the American Medical Association (AMA), state and federal regulatory agencies, and medical specialty professional societies. Reimbursement policies are intended as a general reference and do not constitute a contract or other guarantee of payment. Healthy DC may use reasonable discretion in interpreting and applying its policies to services provided in a particular case and may modify its policies at any time.

In making claim payment determinations, the health plan also uses coding terminology and methodologies based on accepted industry standards, including Current Procedural Terminology (CPT); the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS); and the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM), and other relevant sources. Other factors that may affect payment include medical record documentation, legislative or regulatory mandates, a provider's contract, a member's eligibility in receiving covered services, submission of clean claims, and other health plan policies, and other relevant factors. These factors may supplement, modify, or in some cases supersede reimbursement policies.

This reimbursement policy applies to all health care services billed on a CMS-1500 form or its electronic equivalent, or when billed on a UB-04 form or its electronic equivalent.

To the extent that any procedure and/or diagnosis codes are specified in this policy, such inclusion is provided for reference purposes only, may not be all inclusive, and is not intended to serve as billing instructions. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by federal, state, or contractual requirements and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies and Guidelines may apply.

Policy Overview

The policy addresses the requirement to include revenue codes when billing facility services on the UB-04 form, also known as the CMS-1450 form.

Exceptions

N/A

Reimbursement Guidelines

The Official UB-04 Data Specifications Manual is the only official source of UB-04 billing information adopted by the National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC). Healthy DC considers no other publication - governmental or private/commercial — to be authoritative. As defined by NUBC, revenue codes are codes that identify specific accommodations, ancillary services, or unique billing calculations or arrangements relevant to the claim. Revenue codes are represented by four digits and are used to indicate the department or place in which a procedure or treatment is performed, such as the emergency room, operating room, or some other department.

Example:

Intensive Care Unit (020X)

0200 — General

0201 — Surgical

0202 — Medical

0203 — Pediatric

0204 — Psychiatric

0206 — Intermediate ICU

0207 — Burn care

0208 — Trauma

0209 — Other

Valid procedure codes must be accompanied by an appropriate revenue code for the claim to be reimbursable. Without the required revenue code (missing or ineligible), the claim will not be reimbursed. Revenue codes must be accompanied by a valid CPT code with the exception of revenue codes exempt this requirement.

Definitions

N/A

Edit Sources

- I. Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and associated publications and services.
- II. International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM).
- III. Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS).
- IV. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
- V. District of Columbia Medicaid Fee Schedule(s).
- VI. Healthy DC Provider Manual

Attachments

N/A

Associated Policies

N/A

Policy History

11/2025	Reimbursement Policy Committee Approval
04/2025	Revised preamble

04/2024	Revised preamble
08/2023	Removal of Policy Implemented by Healthy DC from Policy History section
01/2023	Template Revised <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revised preamble • Removal of Applicable Claim Types table • Coding section renamed to Reimbursement Guidelines • Added Associated Policies section