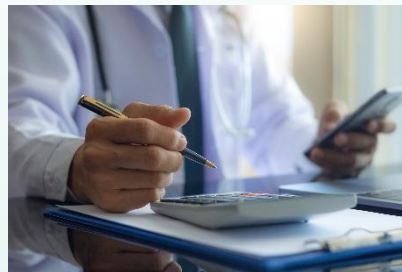


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## System changed to recognize NPI type for attending providers on institutional claims

As announced in *Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) Bulletin [BT2024170](#)*, on **Nov. 26, 2024**, the IHCP began enforcing the requirement that all institutional claims – including those for inpatient, outpatient, ambulatory surgical center (ASC) and long-term care (LTC) services – must include the attending provider’s National Provider Identifier (NPI). *IHCP Bulletin [BT202515](#)* further clarified the definition of attending provider as being “the individual who has overall responsibility for the patient’s medical care and treatment reported on institutional claims.”



Both bulletins stated that the attending provider must be enrolled in the IHCP under either the Rendering or the Ordering, Prescribing, Referring (OPR) provider classification on the date of service (DOS). For fee-for-service (FFS) claims, this requirement was enforced with explanation of benefits (EOB) code 1142 – *Missing/incomplete/invalid attending provider identifier*.

However, in *IHCP Bulletin [BT2025142](#)*, the IHCP acknowledged that some individual providers that meet the definition of attending practitioner are enrolled under the Billing classification (rather than as Rendering or OPR), and announced an upcoming change to ensure that the claim-processing system would allow providers with a Type 1 (individual) NPI as the attending provider, regardless of their IHCP enrollment classification.

The IHCP has now completed the required system change to recognize a provider’s NPI type (Type 1 – Individual or Type 2 – Organizational) for claim editing. IHCP-enrolled providers with a Type 1 NPI can now be recognized as the attending provider on impacted claims. Providers will no longer need to seek an administrative review or claim dispute due to claims denying inappropriately with EOB code 1142 when the attending provider is enrolled with a Type 1 NPI.

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