

Claims Administration Manual Guidelines



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Claim Department Procedures

Large Case Management - review for LCM should be performed as soon as possible. If a case is not recommended for LCM, submit the letter from the LCM company to NUS verifying this. **Important** We have found that review of Pre-Certifications daily, to determine possible LCM intervention, has been the most effective means of cost containment.

50% Notification Form – NUS requires this form to be submitted as soon as possible after the claimant has reached 50% of the specific deductible or with a diagnosis that has the potential of exceeding the specific deductible (see enclosed Instructions When to Complete the 50% Notification form). From this notice, NUS computes an estimate of the total charges and sets a reserve amount in case there is a specific claim violation.

Pre-Notification for Audit or Specialized Claims Management – As an added measure to help control the costs of large claims, we require Pre-Notification for Review on any claim that has exceeded \$20,000 or is a Trigger Diagnosis Code, whether it is IN our OUT of a preferred provider network. Please note this includes any ancillary services, not just in-patient, such as surgeon's bills, chemotherapy injections, dialysis equipment, drug therapies, etc. We will need a copy of the UB92 and itemized billing. Also, if possible, copies of the history and physical, medication records, operative reports, physician orders and discharge summary. When this information is received, we will have our audit service conduct a pre-review to determine if the claim costs can best be managed through audit, or if another means of claims management is appropriate.

√ NUS utilizes several resources for audit and/or specialized claims management; i.e. transplant management, dialysis, etc. Our reinsurers have preferred resources as well for several national industry services. NUS will coordinate with each TPA to determine the appropriate measures for the best outcome on each claim. Working together for the Plan, we can help control large claims costs that will generate savings for the employee, Plan, and reinsurer, ultimately resulting in fewer lasered claims and better renewals for the group.

Specific Excess Loss Claim Form – is required for filing specific claims. Also attached is a Specific Claim Checklist, which will ensure that all documentation for Proof of Loss is submitted for each claim filling. Any documentation regarding unusual circumstances should also be included with the claims submission. Some of the items listed on the "Checklist" will not apply to subsequent claims and should be disregarded.

Aggregate Excess Loss Report – attached is a copy of the report, which must be submitted monthly for each group. This report needs to be in the NUS office within 15 days of the close of the prior month.

Monthly and Aggregate Claim Requirements – attached is a list of all the documentation required when filing for a Monthly Accommodation and/or a Year-End Aggregate.

Monthly Aggregate Accommodation Claim Form – is required for filing an Accommodation.

Aggregate Reimbursement Form – is required for filing a Year-End Aggregate Reimbursement.





50% Notification/Specific Excess Loss **Claim Requirements**

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Specific Excess Loss Claim - If a claimant exceeds their specific retention, the following documentation is required for review in order to issue a reimbursement:

- ✓ <u>Completed</u> Specific Excess Loss Claim form
- ✓ Copy of Enrollment Card
- ✓ Completed Eligibility Questionnaire form, NUS requires this when an employee is absent from work.
- ✓ Copy of all itemized bills
- ✓ Copy of COBRA election form along with proof of cobra premium payments
- ✓ Copies of all correspondence regarding coordination efforts
- ✓ Copies of all Checks, EOB's or similar proof of payment for each claim
- ✓ Large Case Management Reports
- ✓ Pre-Certification forms, NUS requires a copy of all pre-certification's applicable to the specific claim. From this, NUS verifies the Length of Stay and days of confinement.
- ✓ If claim will be subrogated, we will need a copy of the signed subrogation agreement from the claimant. If there is a claim filed involving an accident whether subrogated or not, accident details are required. Also if applicable, a police report.
- ✓ Any documentation regarding unusual circumstances should also be included with the claims submission.

Once NUS has received all the required documentation, we will proceed to process the claim in accordance with the Stop Loss Policy and Group Plan Document.







Instructions when to Complete the 50% Notification Form

- ✓ In any policy year, when a claim reaches 50% of the specific deductible on any one insured, the 50% Notification form must be completed in its entirety, and then forwarded to the Claims Department.
- ✓ After a claim has reached 50% of the specific deductible, each month during the policy year and payout period an updated 50% Notification must be forwarded for any additional claims paid.
- ✓ Not withstanding the above, the 50% Notification must be completed in its entirety, and then forwarded to the Claims Department for all cases meeting any of the following criteria:
 - An insured has been continuously hospitalized for more than one month.
 - An insured has a possible potential for high dollar with any of the following trigger codes:

A00-B99	Certain infectious and parasitic disease	100-199	Diseases of the nervous system
A40	Streptococcal sepsis	120	Angina Pectoris
A41	Other Sepsis	121.09-122	Acute myocardial infarction
B15-B19	Viral hepatitis	124	Acute and Subacute Ischemic Heart Disease
B20	Human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease	125	Chronic ischemic heart disease
		126	Pulmonary embolism
C00-D49	Neoplasms	127	Other pulmonary heart disease
C00-C96	Malignant neoplasms	128	Other diseases of pulmonary vessels
D46	9	133	Acute & Subacute Endocarditis
D46	Myelodysplastic syndromes	134-138	Heart Valve Disorders
550 500		142-143	Cardiomyopathy
D50-D89	Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs & disorders	144-145	Conduction Disorders
	involving the immune mechanism	146	Cardiac Arrest
D57	Sickle-cell disorders	146	Cardiac Arrest Cardiac Dysrhythmias
D59	Acquired hemolytic anemia	150	Heart Failure
D60-D64	Aplastic and other anemias	160-161	Subarachnoid Hemorrhage / Intercerebral Hemorrhage
D65-D69	Coagulation defects, purpura and other hemorrhagic conditions	163	Cerebral infarction
D70-D77	Other diseases of blood and blood-forming organs		
D80-D89	Certain disorders involving the immune mechanism	165.8-166 167	Occlusion of Precerebral /Cerebral Arteries Other cerebrovascular disease
E00-E89	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	170	Atherosclerosis / Aortic Aneurysm
E10-E13	Diabetes mellitus	J00-J99	Diseases of Respiratory System
E15-E16	Other disorders of glucose regulation and pancreatic internal secretion	J40-J44	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
E65-E68	Obesity and other hyper alimentation	J84.10-J84.89	, , ,
E70-E89	Metabolic disorders	J98.11-J98.4	Pulmonary Collapse / Respiratory Failure
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F01-F99	Mental, Behavioral and Neurodevelopmental disorders	K00-K95	Diseases of Digestive System
F10.1	Alcohol Abuse	K22	Esophageal obstruction
F11.1	Opioid Abuse	K25-K28	Ulcers
F20	Schizophrenia	K31	Other diseases of stomach & duodenum
F31	Bipolar Disorder	K50	Crohn's disease
F32.3	Major depressive disorder, single episode, severe with psychotic feature	K51	Ulcerative colitis
F33.1-F33.3	Major Depressive Disorder, recurrent	K55-K64	Diseases of intestine
F84.0	Autistic Disorder	K65-K68	Diseases of peritoneum & retroperitoneum
F84.2	Rett's Syndrome	K70-K77	Diseases of liver
F84.5	Asperger's syndrome	K83	Diseases of biliary tract
		K85-K86	Diseases of pancreatitis
G00-99	Diseases of the nervous system	K90-K95	Other diseases of digestive system / Complications
G00 33		N9U-N93	of bariatric procedures
	Bacterial Meningitis		or buriatric procedures
G04	Encephalitis Myelitis and Encephalomyelitis	M00-M99	Diseases of Musculoskeletal System & Connective Tissue
G06-G07	Intracranial and intraspinal abscess and granuloma	M15-M19	Osteoarthritis
G12.21	Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis	M32	Systemic lupus erythematosus
G35	Multiple Sclerosis	M34	Systemic sclerosis
G36	Other Acute Disseminated Demyelination	M41	Scoliosis
G37	Other Demyelinating disease of central nervous system	M43	Spondylolysis
G82.5	Quadraplegia		·
G83.4	Cauda Equina Syndrome	M50	Cervical disc disorders
	Toxic Encephalopathy	M51	Thoracic, thoracolumbar & lumbosacral intervertebral
			disc disorders
G92 G93.1	Anoxic Brain Injury	M72.6	disc disorders
		M72.6 M86	disc disorders Necrotizing Fasciitis Osteomyelitis



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Diseases of the Genitourinary System

Glomerular Disorders classified elsewhere

Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium

Other respiratory conditions of newborn

Intracranial hemorrhage of newborn

Necrotizing enterocolitis of newborn

Congenital Cardiac malformations

Other Congenital malformations

not elsewhere classified

Shock, Hemorrhage

Chest Pain

Coma

R65.2-R65.21 Severe sepsis

Congenital Anomalies of Digestive system

Phakomatoses, not classified elsewhere

Other disturbances of cerebral status newborn

Congenital malformations of the nervous system

Pre-Existing Hypertension with Pre-Eclampsia

Other complications specific to Multiple Gestations

Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period

Cardiovascular disorders originating in the perinatal period

Congenital malformation syndromes affecting multiple systems

Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings,

Disorders of newborn related to short gestation and low birth weight

Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities

Chronic Nephritic Syndrome

Nephritis and Nephropathy

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD)

Pre-Eclampsia and Eclampsia

Bacterial sepsis of newborn

Renal Failure, Unspecified

Nephrotic Syndrome

Acute Kidney Failure

High Risk Pregnancy

Multiple Gestation

Fetal distress

Acute and Rapidly Progressive Nephritic Syndrome

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Q89

R00-R99

R57-R58

R07.1-R07.9

R40-R40.236

Q00-Q99

Q00-Q07

Q20- Q26 Q41-Q45

P10- P15

P23-P28 P29



S00-T88	Injury, Poisoning and Certain Other Consequences of External Causes
S02	Fracture of skull and facial bones
S06	Intracranial injury
S07	Crush injury to head
S08	Avulsion and traumatic amputation of part of head
S12-S13	Fracture and injuries of cervical vertebra and other parts of neck
S14.0-S14.15	Injury of nerves and spinal cord at neck level
S22.0	Fracture of thoracic vertebra
S24	Injury of nerves and spinal cord at thorax level
S25	Injury of blood vessels of thorax
S26	Injury of heart
S32.0-S32.2	Fracture of lumbar vertebra
S34	Injury of lumbar and sacral spinal cord and nerves
S35	Injury of blood vessels at abdomen, lower back and pelvis
S36-S37	Injury of intra-abdominal organs
S48	Traumatic amputation of shoulder and upper arm
S58	Traumatic amputation of elbow and forearm
S68.4-S68.7	Traumatic amputation of hand at wrist level
S78	Traumatic amputation of hip and thigh
S88	Traumatic amputation of lower leg
S98	Traumatic amputation of ankle and foot
T30-T32	Burns and corrosions of multiple body regions
T81.11-T81.12	Postprocedural cardiogenic and septic shock
T82	Complications of cardiac and vascular prosthetic devices, implants and grafts
T83-T85	Complications of prosthetic devices, implants and grafts
T86	Complications of transplanted organs and tissue
T87	Complications to reattachment and amputation
Z00-Z99	Factors Influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services
Z37.5-Z37.6	Multiple births
Z38.3-Z38.8	Multiple births
Z48-Z48.298	Encounter for aftercare following organ transplant
Z49	Encounter for care involving renal dialysis
Z94	Transplanted organ and tissue status
Z95	Presence of cardiac and vascular implants and grafts
Z98.85	Transplanted organ removal status
Z99.1	Dependence on respirator

Dependence on dialysis

- Any serious claim which is expected to exceed the specific deductible.
- ✓ Periodically, the Claims Department will check with you on the status of all outstanding (non-terminated) cases.

Z99.2







50% Notification/Specific Excess Loss Claim CHECKLIST

Group Information:

- 1. Please check the box to indicate what you are filing.
- 2. Employer/Group Name Enter the name of the employer or group to which this claim applies.
- 3. Current Policy Period Enter the dates for the current policy period to which this claim applies.
- 4. Specific Deductible Enter the specific deductible to which applies to this claimant.

Employee Information:

- 1. Employee Enter the employee's name.
- 2. Social Security Number Enter the employee's social security number.
- 3. Date of Birth Enter the employee's date of birth.
- 4. Date of Hire Enter the employee's date of hire.
- 5. Original Effective Date Enter the original date the employee became eligible for coverage under the plan.

Employee's Work Status:

1. Please check the appropriate box for which applies to the employee's work status.

Continuation of Coverage:

1. Please check the appropriate box as to how the coverage is being continued and date if applicable.

Claimant Information:

- 1. Name enter the claimant's name.
- 2. Original Effective Date Enter the original date the claimant became eligible for coverage.
- 3. Date of Birth Enter the claimant' date of birth.
- 4. Relationship to Employee Enter the relationship to the employee.
- 5. Gender Enter whether claimant is male or female.
- 6. Check the box that would apply to the claimant whether he/she has other coverage.

Claim Data:

- 1. Requested Amount Enter the amount being requested for reimbursement within this request.
- 2. TPA Paid to Date Enter the total amount of all benefits paid to date for this policy period.
- 3. Incurred Dates for this request Enter the dates of service from and through for the claims within this request.
- 4. Paid Dates Enter the paid dates from and through for the claims within this request.
- 5. Diagnosis Code and Description Enter the claimant's primary diagnosis code # and a detailed description of the diagnosis.
- 6. Was claimant listed on NUS Disclosure Statement? Please check the box that applies. If No, state why?
- 7. Was patient In-Patient confined? Please check the box that applies. If yes, list the dates of service and procedures performed.
- 8. Pre-Certification needed? Please check the box that applies. If you check yes, is this information enclosed?
- 9. Hospital Audit Performed? Please check the box that applies. If you check yes, is this information enclosed?
- 10. Will this claim be Subrogated? Please check the box that applies. If you check yes, is this information enclosed?
- 11. Is Pre-existing Condition applicable? Please check the box that applies. If you check yes, is the HIPPA certification enclosed?



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UR/LCM Information:

- 1. Are Case Management services active? Please check the box that applies. If you check yes, is this information enclosed?
- 2. UR/LCM vendor Enter the name, address, contact name and phone number of the company being utilized by the TPA for Utilization Review/Large Case Management.

Completed By:

1. Please print your name, phone number (to include your extension), and date you are submitting to NUS. So if any questions should arise we will know who to contact.

Failure to complete this form could delay claim payments.







Monthly and Aggregate Claim Requirements

Monthly Aggregate Excess Loss Report – NUS requires this report be filed monthly for each group to include the following:

- ✓ Monthly paid claims
- ✓ Monthly Single/Family Enrollment
- ✓ Monthly amounts excluded from aggregate
- ✓ Monthly claims paid total of those claimants "lasered" on the contract

Note: This report must be in the NUS office within 15 days of the close of the prior month.

Monthly Accommodation and Year-End Aggregate – the following is a list of all the information needed:

- ✓ Proof of Loss Aggregate Reimbursement Claim Form.
- ✓ Claims Paid Listing indicating the following:
 - Employee Name
 - Name of Claimant
 - Service Dates
 - Type of Service (medical, dental, vision, disability, etc.)
 - Date of Payment

- Amount of Payment
- Check and/or Claim Number
- Diagnosis Codes
- Procedure Codes
- ✓ Information and documentation as relates to the receipt, review and payment of prescription drug claims, if applicable.
- ✓ Monthly Check Registers
- ✓ Documentation regarding Voids and Refunds processed after the policy period pertaining to payments made during the policy period.
- ✓ A Claim Benefit Analysis report and/or similar documentation identifying any out-of-contract payments, medical records fees, and administrative fees.
- ✓ A listing of all identified, outstanding overpayments relative to payments made during the policy period.
- ✓ Recoveries i.e., Coordination of Benefits, Other Party Liability or Subrogation claims and the status thereof, Specific Reimbursements, Duplicate Payment, etc.
- ✓ Eligibility report listing Employees and Dependents, Date of Birth, Effective and Termination dates (to include COBRA participants).
- √ Financial records documenting the funding of claims during the plan year and reconciled bank statements (to include one month after the policy period).

Note: Payments made outside of the Stop Loss contract (i.e., prescription drug card, dental, weekly income, vision, etc.) should not be included with the information listed above.









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FRAUD WARNING NOTICE TO APPLICANT - PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING:

GENERAL FRAUD NOTICE: NOTE TO ALL PARTIES COMPLETING THIS FORM:

Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he or she is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement is guilty of insurance fraud.

CALIFORNIA FRAUD NOTICE:

Any person who knowingly presents false or fraudulent information to obtain or amend insurance coverage or to make a claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

Alabama	Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of loss or benefit or wh knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may b subject to restitution, fines or confinement in prison, or any combination thereof.
Arizona	For your protection, Arizona law requires the following statement to appear on this form: Any perso who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss is subject to criminal and civ penalties.
Arkansas, Louisiana, Rhode Island, West Virginia	Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of loss or benefit of knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.
Colorado	It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may includ imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of a insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado Division of Insurance within the Department of Regulatory Agencies.
Delaware	Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.
District of Columbia	WARNING: It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition an insurer may deny insurance benefits if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.
Florida	Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felon of the third degree.
Georgia, Oregon, Vermont	Any person who with intent to defraud or knowing that he/she is facilitating a fraud against an insure submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may be guilty c insurance fraud.
Indiana	A person who knowingly and with intent to defraud an insurer files a statement of claim containing an false, incomplete, or misleading information commits a felony.
Kansas	Any person who with intent to defraud or knowing that he or she is facilitating a fraud against an insure submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may be guilty containing insurance fraud as determined by a court of law.
Kentucky	Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.
Maryland	Any person who knowingly and willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss of benefit or who knowingly and willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilt of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.









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FRAUD NOTICE (CONTINUED):

Maine, Tennessee, Washington	It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance compander for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines or a denial of insurance benefits.	
Nebraska	Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he or she is facilitating a fraud against an insurer submits an application or files a claim containing false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty o insurance fraud.	
New Hampshire	Any person who, with a purpose to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurance company, files a statemen of claim containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is subject to prosecution and punishment for insurance fraud, as provided in RSA 638:20.	
New Jersey	Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information i subject to criminal and civil penalties.	
New Mexico	Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit o knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to civil fines and criminal penalties.	
North Carolina	Any person with the intent to injure, defraud, or deceive an insurer or insurance claimant is guilty of a crime (Class H felony) which may subject the person to criminal and civil penalties.	
Oklahoma	WARNING: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, make any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.	
Pennsylvania	Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files at application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulen insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.	
Texas Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss is g and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.		
Virginia	Any person who, with the intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insure submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may have violate state law.	