

		Reimbursement Policy
Subject: Preadmission Services for Inpatient Stays		
Effective Date: 04/06/18	Committee Approval Obtained: 04/06/18	Section: Facilities
<p>*****The most current version of our reimbursement policies can be found on our provider website. If you are using a printed version of this policy, please verify the information by going to https://medproviders.anthem.com/wi.*****</p> <p>These policies serve as a guide to assist you in accurate claims submissions and to outline the basis for reimbursement by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem) if the service is covered by a BadgerCare Plus member’s benefit plan. The determination that a service, procedure, item, etc. is covered under a member's benefit plan is not a determination that you will be reimbursed. Services must meet authorization and medical necessity guidelines appropriate to the procedure and diagnosis as well as to the member’s state of residence. You must follow proper billing and submission guidelines. You are required to use industry standard, compliant codes on all claim submissions. Services should be billed with CPT codes, HCPCS codes and/or revenue codes. The codes denote the services and/or procedures performed. The billed code(s) are required to be fully supported in the medical record and/or office notes. Unless otherwise noted within the policy, our policies apply to both participating and nonparticipating providers and facilities.</p> <p>If appropriate coding/billing guidelines or current reimbursement policies are not followed, Anthem may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reject or deny the claim. • Recover and/or recoup claim payment. <p>Anthem reimbursement policies are developed based on nationally accepted industry standards and coding principles. These policies may be superseded by mandates in provider, state, federal or CMS contracts and/or requirements. System logic or setup may prevent the loading of policies into the claims platforms in the same manner as described; however, Anthem strives to minimize these variations.</p> <p>Anthem reserves the right to review and revise our policies periodically when necessary. When there is an update, we will publish the most current policy to this site.</p>		
Policy	<p>Anthem allows reimbursement for applicable services for a covered member prior to admission to an inpatient hospital (referred to as the payment window) unless provider, state, federal or CMS contracts and/or requirements indicate otherwise.</p> <p>Anthem includes all outpatient services in the inpatient reimbursement when both of the following apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The outpatient services are contiguous with the inpatient stay. • The member is granted inpatient status and subsequently counted in the midnight census. 	

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History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biennial review approved and effective 04/06/18: Outpatient services included in inpatient admission language clarified • Biennial review approved 02/11/16 and effective 05/01/16: Outpatient services included in inpatient admission language updated; Definitions section updated • Initial approval and effective date 07/01/14
References and Research Materials	<p>This policy has been developed through consideration of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMS • State Medicaid • State contracts
Definitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Reimbursement Policy Definitions
Related Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modifier Usage • Transportation Services: Ambulance and Non-Emergent Transport
Related Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None