

Quick Reference for Electronic (EDI) Billing



This document provides information related to billing for a medical service using Electronic Data Interchange (EDI). For additional information, forms, and resources visit www.workforcesafety.com.

EDI Medical Billing

Workforce Safety & Insurance (WSI) is streamlining the medical billing process, and effective July 1, 2021, will accept medical bills solely by EDI through WSI's exclusive vendor, Carisk Intelligent Clearinghouse.

Carisk is a specialized clearinghouse that allows electronic medical bill submission with simultaneous attachment of medical documentation.

Accepted EDI Transaction Types

WSI accepts the most current version of the following ASC X12 EDI billing standards:

- Professional billing – 837P
- Institutional/hospital billing – 837I

EDI Submission Cost

WSI covers the transaction fee, so there is no cost to a practice for submitting a medical bill through Carisk.

Benefits of EDI Medical Billing

Unique benefits of submitting a medical bill through Carisk include:

- Error-proof submissions with a 97% first-pass clean claims rate
- Automatic notification of WSI's receipt of a medical bill
- Ability to track and manage e-claims
- Unlimited attachments
- Free storage of all bills and medical records

EDI allows a provider to combine multiple dates of service into 1 bill and combine notes into 1 PDF attachment, if the billing provider is the same for all services. This is not to exceed 50 service lines or 12 diagnosis codes.

Provider Registration

Prior to establishing an EDI connection, a practice that has not previously registered with WSI will need to complete a [Medical Provider Payee Registration form](#) for each unique group/billing NPI used to bill WSI. If a provider submits an EDI bill with an unregistered group/billing NPI, it will result in a transaction error.

EDI Connection Options

A practice may establish either a direct EDI connection with Carisk, or an indirect connection with a practice's existing clearinghouse. The ability to establish an indirect connection will be dependent on the other clearinghouse's ability to meet certain technical requirements.

To establish an EDI connection when a practice is new to EDI, contact Carisk by email at cicinfo@cariskpartners.com or by phone at 888-238-4792.

To establish an EDI connection if a practice currently uses a clearinghouse other than Carisk, contact the other clearinghouse to have them work with Carisk.

Medical Documentation

Medical documentation must accompany each bill sent to WSI. For a list of common services and the corresponding documentation necessary for reimbursement, a provider should refer to WSI's [Quick Reference for Medical Documentation](#).

To ensure all documentation requirements are met, a provider should also be familiar with WSI's [Documentation Policies](#) and [Fee Schedule Guidelines](#). WSI may deny or reduce payment if the required documentation does not accompany the bill, or the level/type of service documented does not support the procedure code billed.

Bill Appeal

A provider may not submit an appeal through EDI.

To initiate an appeal, complete the [Medical Bill Appeal \(M6\)](#) form, and submit it with additional supporting documentation to WSI.

Mail: Workforce Safety & Insurance
PO Box 5585
Bismarck, ND 58506-5585
Fax: 701-328-3765 or 888-786-8695

EDI Exemptions

A provider billing less than 50 bills per year to WSI is exempt from submitting through EDI per [North Dakota Century Code § 65-05-07.3](#)