

PROVIDER BULLETIN
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TO: Participating freestanding ambulatory surgical centers

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SUBJECT: 2021 ASC Fee Schedule Updates

Independence Blue Cross and its affiliates (Independence) are announcing changes to our ancillary provider fee schedule effective January 1, 2021.

Fee schedule changes

We are updating the standard ancillary provider fee schedule and drug fee schedules for ambulatory surgical centers (ASCs) effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2021.

The fee schedule changes affect the reimbursement rates for ASCs. These reimbursement changes are effective for Traditional Indemnity, HMO, POS, EPO, and PPO members enrolled in commercial and Medicare Advantage Benefits Programs. The impact to your reimbursement will vary based on the mix of services you provide.

Instructions on how to access the fee schedule are included in the notification email.

Next steps

Please review the changes to our ancillary provider fee schedule:

- If you accept these changes, you do not need to take any further action.
- If you do not accept these fee schedule changes, you must provide written notice of your intention to terminate your Agreement within thirty (30) days from the date of this notice, in accordance with the terms of your Agreement.

Questions

If you have questions, please send an email to pnsproviderrequests@ibx.com with the subject line "Ancillary Fee Schedule updates." Please make sure to include the practice name, NPI number, and your contact information.

We encourage you to share this information with appropriate members of your staff.