

The Availity® Essentials Claim Status tool is the recommended electronic method for providers to acquire detailed claim status for claims processed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico (BCBSNM).

Providers can improve their accounts receivable and increase administrative efficiencies by utilizing the enhanced Claim Status tool Member and/or Claim search options to check status online for all your BCBSNM patients. Results are available in real-time and provide more detailed information than the HIPAA-standard claim status (276/277 transaction).

**Note:** If you do not have Availity access, you may obtain basic claim status online by completing a 276/277 transaction through your preferred web vendor.

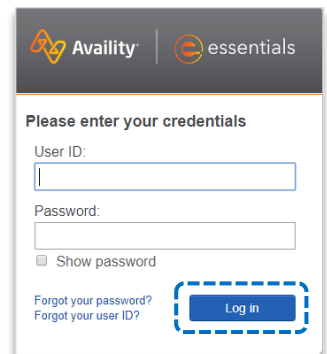
## Quick Reference:

- Refer to page [4](#), [5](#), and [6](#) to view claim status results for **Commercial** and **Individual Family Markets claims**
- Refer to page [7](#) to view claim status results for **Government Programs claims** (*Medicare Advantage & New Mexico Medicaid*)
- Refer to page [8](#) and [9](#) to view basic **HIPAA-standard claim status results** (*276/277 transaction*)
- Refer to page [10](#) and [11](#) to learn how to **Save, View and Delete Claim Status Searches**

## 1) Getting Started

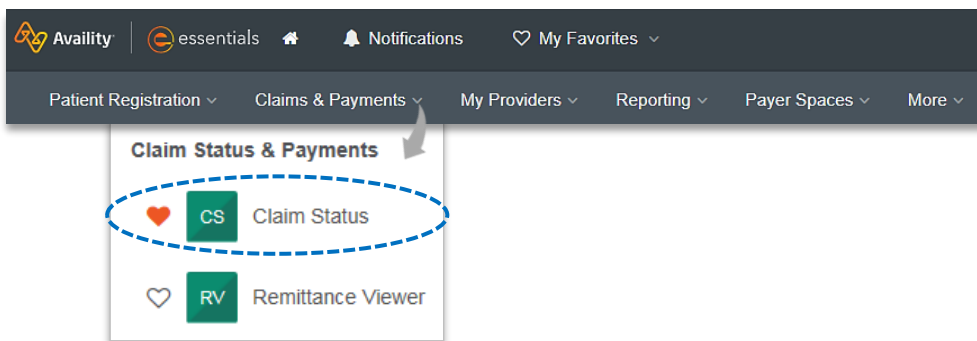
- ▶ Go to [Availity](#)
- ▶ Select **Availity Essentials Login**
- ▶ Enter User ID and Password
- ▶ Select **Log in**

**Note:** Only registered Availity users can access the Claim Status Tool. If you are not a registered Availity user, you may complete the guided online registration process at [Availity](#), at no cost.



## 2) Accessing Claim Status

- ▶ Select **Claims & Payments** from the navigation menu
- ▶ Select **Claim Status**



**Note:** Contact your Availity administrators if the **Claim Status** tool is not listed in the **Claims & Payments** menu.

### 3) Submitting Transactions

Claim status may be obtained using a **Member ID** or **Claim Number**. Both options are illustrated in this step.

- ▶ Choose the **Organization**
- ▶ Select the appropriate **Payer** from the drop-down list

The screenshot shows the 'Claim Status' tool interface. At the top left is a green square with 'CS' and the text 'Claim Status'. Below this are two dropdown menus: 'Organization' with 'YOUR ORGANIZATION' selected, and 'Payer' with 'Select...' selected. A blue dashed arrow points from a callout box to the Payer dropdown.

**Payer Selection Options:**

- BCBSNM
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage
- Blue Cross Community Centennial
- Other Blues Plans

**Search by Member:**

- ▶ Select the **Member** tab
- ▶ Choose the Billing Provider from the **Select a Provider** drop-down list (*Professional providers should choose the Rendering Provider*)
- ▶ Enter the **Member ID** including the preceding three-character prefix for commercial and New Mexico Medicaid patients
- ▶ Enter **Service Dates** in MM/DD/YYYY format and select **Submit**

**Important Note:** To ensure your provider information is available in the **Select a Provider** drop-down list, your Availity Administrator must add your NPI to **Manage My Organization** under **My Account Dashboard** on the Availity Essentials homepage.

This screenshot shows a more detailed view of the search form. At the top, 'Organization' is set to 'ABC ORGANIZATION' and 'Payer' is set to 'BCBSNM'. Below these are three tabs: 'Member' (circled in blue), 'Claim Number', and 'HIPAA Standard'. A 'View Saved Searches' button is also circled in blue. A note states: 'Fields marked with an asterisk \* are required.' The form includes several required fields: '\* Select a Provider' (ABC CLINIC), '\* Provider NPI' (1234567890), '\* Member ID' (ABC123456789), '\* Group Number' (123456), and '\* Service Dates' (01/01/2023 - 02/01/2023). At the bottom right, there is a 'Submit' button (circled in blue) and a 'Clear Form' button.

**Quick Tip:**

- Refer to pages [10](#) and [11](#) to learn how to **Save** and **View Saved Searches**.

**Quick Tips:**

- Federal plans do not have a three-character prefix. The letter "R" should be typed as part of the Patient ID (i.e., R87654321). Enter the Group Number as OFEPNM.
- Out-of-state plans may contain more than three-characters (e.g., WMWAN1234567). Enter the Group Number as 123456.
- Claim status for Medicare Advantage members is available for **Service Dates** from 1/1/2016 to current.

### 3) Submitting Transactions *(continued)*

**Search by Claim Number:**

- ▶ Select the **Claim Number** tab
- ▶ Choose the Billing Provider from the **Select a Provider** drop-down list (Professional providers should choose the Rendering Provider )
- ▶ Enter the **Claim Number** and select **Submit**

**Important Note:** To ensure your provider information is available in the **Select a Provider** drop-down list, your Availity Administrator must add your NPI to **Manage My Organization** under **My Account Dashboard** on the Availity Essentials homepage.

**Quick Tips:**

- For commercial claims enter the 13- or 17-character alpha-numeric claim number (i.e., 999999999999X or 0202099999999999X).
- If you are looking for an adjustment, key the corresponding 2-digit suffix in addition to the 13- or 17-character alpha-numeric claim number (i.e., 999999999999X01 or 0202099999999999X01).
- For incremented claims (coordination of benefits), change the 0 to a 1 before the X or C at the end of the claim number to locate the secondary claim (i.e., 999999999991X).
- Refer to pages [10](#) and [11](#) to learn how to **Save** and **View Saved Searches**.

### 4) Search Results

- ▶ After completing the **Member** search, users can view detailed claim status for a specific date of service by selecting the corresponding **claim**

Status	From Service Date	Finalized Date	Claim #	Patient Name	Billed Amount
FINALIZED	04/12/2022	09/09/2022	999999999990X01	DOE, JANE	\$290.00
DENIED	04/12/2022	06/01/2022	999999999990X00	DOE, JANE	\$290.00

5) Detailed Search Results *Commercial and Individual Family Markets Claims*

The following information is returned for BCBSNM commercial and individual family markets claims after the corresponding claim number is selected and/or the **Claim Number** search is completed:

- Claim Number
- Received Date
- Finalized Date
- Service Dates
- Approved Length of Stay
- Claim Status
- Custom Status Description
- Status Details
- Billed Amount
- Paid Amount
- Coinsurance Amount
- Copay / Deductible Amounts
- Ineligible Amount
- Check Number & Date
- Payee Information
- Prior Paid Amount
- Prior Notification Deductible & Coinsurance
- Health Care Account Amount
- Billing / Rendering Provider Information
- Other Carrier Paid / Medicare Paid Amount
- Patient Share Amount
- Out of Network Deductible / Coinsurance
- Additional Paid
- **Line-Item Breakdown:**
  - Service Dates
  - Procedure / Revenue Code
  - Diagnosis
  - HCPCS Code
  - Billed Amount
  - Paid Amount
  - Ineligible Amount & Code
  - Discount
  - Copay / Coinsurance / Deductible
  - Modifiers
  - Unit / Time / Miles

**Note:** If the check number is not present on a finalized claim, please allow additional time. The system reflects check information based on the payment schedule of the provider.

**Quick Tips:**

- Select **Save this Search** at the top or bottom of the results page to **View Saved Searches**. Users receive a message confirming the search has been saved. Refer to pages [10](#) and [11](#) to learn more.
- Click **Print this Page** at top or bottom of result page.

**CS Claim Status**

Save this Search
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New Search
Edit Search

Customer ID 12345 Exchange Date 03/20/2023  
Transaction ID 99999999999999999999999999999999

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**Patient Information**

Patient	DOE, JANE	Member ID	ABC00000123456789	Subscriber	DOE, JANE
DOB	01/01/2010	Patient Account Number	1384	Relationship	SELF
Gender	F	Group Number	123456		

**Claim Information**

Claim Number	99999999990X01	Claim Status	PAID	DRG Code	N/A
Received Date	09/09/2022	Custom Status Description		DRG Version	N/A
Processed Date	09/12/2022	Status Detail	N/A	DRG Weight	0.0000
Service Dates	04/12/2022 – 04/12/2022	Billed Amount	\$290.00		
Approved Length of Stay	N/A	Paid Amount	\$68.26		
Hospital Payment Indicator	N/A	Coinsurance Amount	\$0.00		
Indicator Description	N/A	Copay/Deductible Amount	\$20.00		
		Ineligible Amount	\$201.74		

**Payment Information**

Check Number	E9999999	Billing Provider	ABC CLINIC	Other Carrier Paid	\$0.00
Check Date	09/15/2020	Billing Provider NPI	1234567899	Out of Network Deductible	\$0.00
Payee	ABC CLINIC	Rendering Provider	ROBERTS, JOHN	Out of Network Coinsurance	\$0.00
Prior Paid Amount	\$0.00	Rendering Provider NPI	1122334455	Additional Paid	\$0.00
Prior Notification Deductible	\$0.00	Medicare Paid Amount	\$0.00		
Prior Notification Coinsurance	\$0.00	Patient Share Amount	\$20.00		
Health Care Account Amount	\$0.00				

**Line Level Information**

Service Dates	Proc/Rev	DX	HCPC	Billed	Paid	Ineligible	Codes	Discount	Copay	Coins	Deductible	Mod	Unit/ Time/ Miles
04/12/2022													
04/12/2022	99203	M25542, M25541	N/A	\$290.00	\$68.26	\$201.74	T43	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A	1

**Codes**

Type	Code	Description	Additional Action(s)
Ineligible Reason	T43	Charge exceeds the priced amount for this service. Services provided by a Non-Participating Provider. Patient is responsible for charges over the priced amount.	N/A

Customer ID 12345 Exchange Date 03/20/2021  
Transaction ID 99999999999999999999999999999999

**Quick Tips:**

- Ineligible reason codes display in the **Codes** field.
- View ineligible reason code descriptions in the **Codes** section.

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5) Detailed Search Results *Commercial and Individual Family Markets Claims (continued)*

There may be instances when providers receive a claim withdrawn notification after submission to BCBSNM. Providers can also determine why a claim was withdrawn via the Availity Claim Status tool response.

- ▶ Refer to the **Custom Status Description** field to view the reason why the claim was withdrawn
- ▶ After addressing the reason, resubmit the claim electronically to the local BCBSNM plan for processing

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**Customer ID** 12345      **Exchange Date** 03/20/2023

**Transaction ID** XXXX-XXXX-1234567890

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Patient Information

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<b>Patient</b>	DOE, JANE	<b>Member ID</b>	ABC123456789
<b>DOB</b>	01/01/1935	<b>Patient Account Number</b>	DOE123456789
<b>Gender</b>	F	<b>Group Number</b>	123456

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<b>Claim Number</b>	123456789010X00	<b>Claim Status</b>	DENIED
<b>Received Date</b>	10/01/2021	<b>Custom Status Description</b>	Disapproved - For membership
<b>Finalized Date</b>	10/06/2021	<b>Status Detail</b>	
<b>Service Dates</b>	12/19/2020 - 12/19/2020	<b>Billed Amount</b>	\$2,533.30
<b>Approved Length of Stay</b>		<b>Paid Amount</b>	\$0.00
<b>Hospital Payment Indicator</b>		<b>Coinsurance Amount</b>	\$0.00
		<b>Copay/Deductible Amount</b>	\$0.00
		<b>Ineligible Amount</b>	\$0.00



7) HIPAA Standard Claim Status 276 request

Use the **HIPAA Standard** tab to acquire basic claim status (276/277 transaction).

- ▶ Enter the **Provider** and **Patient Information** in the 276 request
- ▶ Select **Submit**

The screenshot shows a web form with three tabs: 'Member', 'Claim Number', and 'HIPAA Standard'. The 'HIPAA Standard' tab is active and circled in blue. In the top right corner, there is a link for 'View Saved Searches'. The form is divided into three main sections:

- Provider Information:** Includes a question 'Is the provider the same as the organization name?' with radio buttons for 'Yes' (selected) and 'No'. Below this are two dropdown menus: 'Select a Provider' (optional) and 'Provider NPI'.
- Patient Information:** Includes a dropdown menu for 'Select a Patient' (optional), a text field for 'Member ID', a text field for 'Patient Last Name', a text field for 'Patient First Name' (optional), a text field for 'Patient Date of Birth' with a 'MM/DD/YYYY' placeholder, a dropdown menu for 'Patient Gender' (optional), a text field for 'Patient Account Number' (optional), and a dropdown menu for 'Patient's Relationship to Subscriber' (optional) with 'Self' selected.
- Claim Information:** Includes a 'Service Dates' section with 'From Date' and 'To Date' fields and a calendar icon. Below this are text fields for 'Claim Number' (optional), 'Claim Amount' (optional), and 'Institutional Bill Type' (optional).

A blue 'Submit' button is located at the bottom right of the form, also circled in blue.

**Quick Tips:**

- Fields labeled as **optional** may be completed but are not required to receive a 277 response.
- If you do not know the patient account number, you may enter "unknown" in the optional **Patient Account Number** field, and the account number will be returned in the 277 response.



7) HIPAA Standard Claim Status 277 response (continued)

The following information is returned in the **HIPAA Standard** 277 response, if applicable:

- Claim Number
- Service Dates
- Processed Date
- Claim Status
- Billed Amount
- Paid Amount
- Check Number
- Denial Reason

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Transaction ID: 11111111111 As of 3/20/2023

**DOE, JANE** Patient

Patient ID <b>ABC123456789</b> DOB <b>01/01/2010</b>	Subscriber <b>DOE, JANE</b>	Provider <b>ABC CLINIC</b> Provider ID <b>1234567890</b>
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**000000000000X 00**  
FINALIZED  
09/01/2020 – 09/01/2020  
Billed  
\$290.00

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**Claim 000000000000X 00**

Dates of Service <b>09/01/2020 – 09/01/2020</b>	Processed Date <b>N/A</b>	Status <b>FINALIZED</b>
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Billed  
**\$290.00**

Paid  
**N/A**

**000000000011X 00**  
DENIED  
09/10/2020 – 09/10/2020  
Processed  
09/13/2020  
Paid  
\$0.00

Status as of **09/05/2020**

- Finalized/Adjudication Complete No payment forthcoming. The Claim/Encounter has been adjudicated and no further payment is forthcoming
- Balance due from the subscriber

Check Number  
**N/A**

Dates of Service <b>09/01/2020 – 09/01/2020</b>	Procedure Code <b>99203</b>	Quantity <b>1</b>	Status <b>FINALIZED</b>
Billed <b>\$290.00</b>	Paid <b>\$0.00</b>		

Status as of **09/05/2020**

- Finalized/Adjudication Complete No payment forthcoming. The Claim/Encounter has been adjudicated and no further payment is forthcoming
- Balance due from the subscriber

**Quick Tip:**

→ If the information returned does not provide enough detail, complete the transaction using either the **Member** or **Claim Number** search option.

### 8) View Saved Searches

The **View Saved Searches** dashboard enables the user to view specific claim status searches that were previously saved. Users can save up to 100 searches in your claim status dashboard.

**Note:** These saved searches are specific to the provider's Organization, payer selected, and user who submitted the transaction.

- ▶ Select **View Saved Searches** on the **Member** and/or **Claim Number** search tabs to access previously **Saved Searches**

Organization: ABC ORGANIZATION | Payer: BCBSNM

Member | Claim Number | HIPAA Standard | **View Saved Searches**

Fields marked with an asterisk \* are required.

\* Select a Provider: ABC CLINIC | \* Provider NPI: 1234567890 | \* Member ID: ABC123456789

\* Group Number: 123456 | \* Service Dates: 01/01/2023 - 02/01/2023

**Submit** | Clear Form

- ▶ In the **View Saved Searches** dashboard, use the **Search** option by entering the patient's name or provider NPI number to locate specific saved searches
- ▶ Locate the saved claim status search you want to view and select **View/Action** button

**Note:** A saved search will be removed after 45 days of not being viewed.

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Search: Search

Organization: ABC ORGANIZATION | Payer: BCBSNM

Saved Searches | Displaying 2 saved searches

Patient	Provider	NPI	Claim Number	Saved Date	Last Searched	View/Action	Delete Search
DOE, JANE	ABC CLINIC	1234567890	999999999990X	3/20/2023	a few seconds ago		<input type="checkbox"/>
DOE, JOHN	ABC CLINIC	1234567890	999999999990X	3/21/2023	17 hours ago		<input type="checkbox"/>

## 9) Deleting Saved Searches

- ▶ From the **Saved Searches** tab, select the **Delete Search** check box to remove the saved search from your dashboard
- ▶ The user will receive a validation message after the search has been deleted

**Note:** If you want to delete all saved searches at once, select the **Select All** button.

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Saved Searches

Displaying 2 saved searches

Patient	Provider	NPI	Claim Number	Saved Date	Last Searched	View/Action	Delete Search
DOE, JANE	ABC CLINIC	1234567890	999999999990X	3/20/2023	a few seconds ago		<input type="checkbox"/>
DOE, JOHN	ABC CLINIC	1234567890	999999999990X	3/21/2023	17 hours ago		<input type="checkbox"/>

Delete Selected Searches

Select All

**Have questions or need additional education?** Email the BCBSNM [Provider Education Consultants](#).

*Be sure to include your name, direct contact information & Tax ID or billing NPI.*