



ATTENTION: OPTUM BEHAVIORAL FACILITIES

PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR BILLING DEPARTMENT

Bridge on Discharge (BOD) is a program in which facility-based clinical staff provide an outpatient follow-up session immediately following discharge from the facility’s acute inpatient unit (done the same day, directly after discharge). It is a distinct service applied to the member’s inpatient benefit and no additional co-payment is charged.

- The Bridge session is intended to serve as a “bridge” for those patients recently discharged from an inpatient level of care directly to outpatient treatment. It is NOT intended to be a substitute for outpatient appointments with an Optum network clinician. During the Bridge session, facility staff assess patient’s status and review the aftercare plan
- If acute risk is identified, take appropriate steps to stabilize the patient
- Complete and sign the *Bridge on Discharge Form* to attest the service was provided, promptly fax it to Optum using the number at the top of the form, and file the form in the patient’s chart
- Facilities are paid an additional fee for completed Bridge session

HOW SHOULD YOU BILL FOR A BRIDGE ON DISCHARGE SESSION?

- Please submit the UB04 claim form to Optum as a part of your usual billing process
- Bill Revenue Code 0513
- Indicate the date of discharge as the service date. Relevant fields are noted below:
 - **Box 42: 0513**
 - **Box 43: Day of Discharge – Bridge Appointment**
 - **Box 44: Applicable CPT or HCPC Code**
 - **Box 45: The specific date of discharge, not a date span.**
 - **Box 46: 1**
 - **Box 47: Billed Charge**

42 REV. CD.	43 DESCRIPTION	44 HCPCS / RATE / HIPPS CODE	45 SERV. DATE	46 SERV. UNITS	47 TOTAL CHARGES	48 NCI
0513	Day of Discharge - Bridge Session	Applicable Code	MM/DD/YY	1	Billed Charge	



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If you have any more questions about this program, please visit our provider website: providerexpress.com or contact Network Management by calling 1-877-614-0484.