

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)

New York billing guidelines for fully insured Commercial claims

Optum-contracted (network) Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) must adhere to the following claim requirements when rendering behavioral health services to members covered by a New York-sitused, fully insured Commercial health plan. This applies to network FQHCs that have opted out of APG and are licensed, certified or authorized by the New York Office of Mental Health (OMH) and Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS).

New York Part AA of [Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2024](#) (“Chapter 57”) requires commercial fully insured health plans issued in New York to [reimburse covered outpatient](#) mental health and substance use disorder services at no less than the Medicaid rate if:

- The plan is renewed, modified, altered or amended on and after Jan. 1, 2025, and
- Services are provided by in-network OMH- and OASAS- licensed, certified or authorized facilities

Claim Requirements

- Bill on a CMS-1500 form
- T1015 should be billed with a modifier, where applicable, with the provider’s state rate:

OMH Rate Code	OASAS Rate Code	Corresponding HCPCS Code + Modifier
4301	4273/4274	T1015
4303	4275	T1015 HQ
4306		T1015 U1

- All encounter codes (one per claim line) need to be included on the claim with a \$0 dollar amount, whether they are covered by behavioral health or not.
- **Note:** Submitting a non-covered encounter code may result in denial or recoupment as the benefits for these members have not changed.

Identifying eligible fully insured Commercial health plans

- New York regulated plans are required to indicate on the member’s ID card whether the plan is fully insured or self-insured.
- The member ID card will indicate Fully Insured in the lower left corner of the card.
- If you have questions, call the number on the back of the member’s ID card for assistance.

Questions?

Visit the [OMH website](#) for additional information on New York state billing requirements for Commercial claims.

For other questions, contact Optum Behavioral Health Provider Services at 1-877-614-0484, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m., Monday through Friday.