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New Reimbursement Policy: Nurse Practitioner and Physician Assistant Services - Professional

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A new professional reimbursement policy for Nurse Practitioner, and Physician Assistant services, will be implemented beginning with dates of service on, or after September 1, 2020.

Empire BlueCross BlueShield ("Empire") will allow reimbursement for services provided by Nurse Practitioner (NP) and Physician Assistant (PA) providers. Unless provider, state, federal, or CMS contracts and/or requirements indicate otherwise, reimbursement is based upon all of the following:

- The service is considered a physicians' service.
- The service is within the NP or PA provider's scope of practice.
- A payment reduction consistent with CMS reimbursement.

Services furnished by the NP or PA should be submitted with their own NPI.

For more information on the Nurse Practitioner and Physician Assistant Services Professional policy, visit the [Reimbursement Policy](https://empireblue.com/provider) page at empireblue.com/provider.

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