



# HOME CARE SERVICES USER GUIDE

Online claims submission

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Alberta Blue Cross® is pleased to offer online claims submission for health services providers. This convenient service is delivered through an easy-to-use secure website and is available at no cost to health provider across Alberta.

Online submission provides the convenience of direct billing for eligible services for your customers with coverage through Alberta Blue Cross group plans, individual plans and those with coverage through ASEBP. You are assured of prompt payment directly from Alberta Blue Cross, while retaining existing customers and gaining a competitive advantage over providers who may choose not to submit claims online.

When submitting claims online, this service will predetermine the patient's coverage and confirm

- · the amount Alberta Blue Cross will pay to your office, and
- the amount you will need to collect from the patient.

### **Registering for site access**

To register for online claims submission, you must complete the Request for Secure Web Site Access web. Details about completing this form can be accessed at <u>ab.bluecross.ca</u>.

The Provider Agreements and Administration team at Alberta Blue Cross will create your website access based on your completed registration form. To protect your security, a login ID and temporary password will be sent in two separate emails to the email address provided on your registration form. Once you have received both of these emails, you can begin serving your customers through online claims submission.

### **Getting started online**

Please refer to the information in the emails Alberta Blue Cross sends you when your initial registration is approved. These emails will contain your login ID and temporary password. Navigate to the **Online Health Provider site** and enter the login ID and password.

You will be asked to agree to the Web Site Policy and Online Billing Agreement, update your banking information, set up your two reminder questions and change your temporary password. This information will be used to verify your identity if you forget your password or require information about your account. Subsequent sign-ins will only require your login ID and password.

### Claiming online is quick, easy and secure!

After validating a patient's identity and predetermining results as confirmed by the patient, you simply submit the claim for processing. Within seconds of submission, results are displayed. The patient will be required to pay only the portion not covered under their benefit plan. The transaction is then complete.

A video tutorial of the Online Health Portal is available on our public website at <u>ab.bluecross.ca</u>.



### Help

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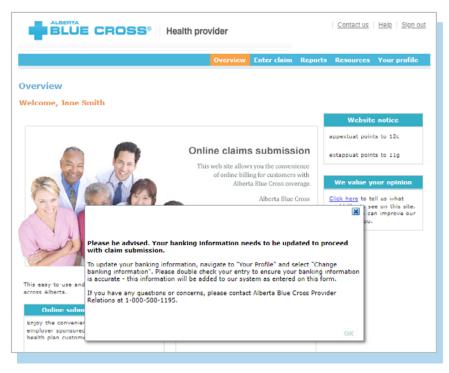
# EASY STEPS TO UPDATE BANKING INFORMATION

### 1. Banking information notification

When you login to the Online Health Portal (OHP) for the first time, you will be prompted to enter your banking information before proceeding to claim submission.

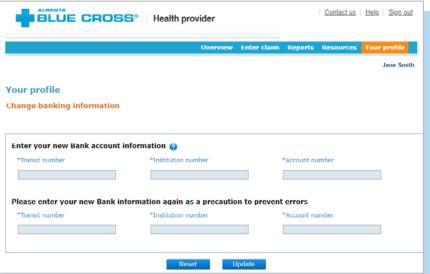
### Note

Please confirm your bank account details with your banking institution before moving onto the next step.



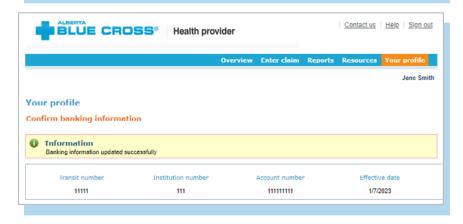
### 2. Update banking information

Enter the transit, institution, and account number as confirmed by your banking institution. Verify this information and enter these numbers again to ensure payment is made to the correct account.



### 3. Banking information confirmation

Once the banking information is saved you will be shown a prompt that confirms your banking information has been successfully update. You will also receive an email confirming the changes to your account.



# **EASY STEPS TO SUBMIT AND PROCESS A CLAIM**

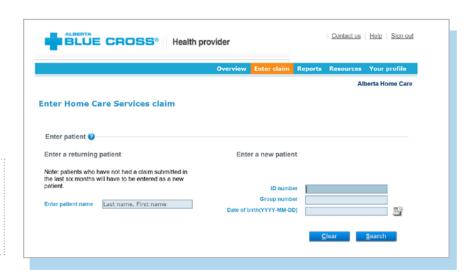
### 1. Enter the patient's information

Navigate to the "Enter claim" menu option and enter the patient's ID and group number.

For Client Directed Home Care, the patient's ID number is their personal health number and their group number is 23720.

### Note

If you're submitting a claim for a returning patient, you can enter their last and first name to resolve for the patient.



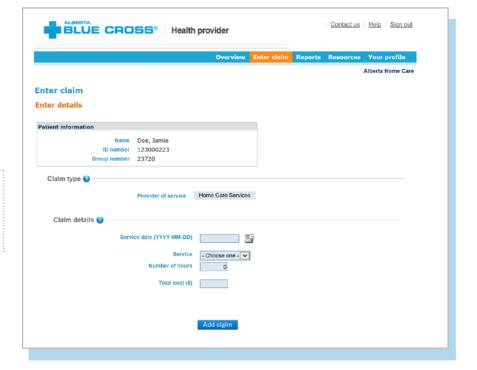
### 2. Enter details

Enter the following:

- · service date
- type of service (must match the credentials of the performing service provider)
- number of hours (allows for up to two decimal places)
- · total cost

### Note

GST must not be charged to clients as these services are Government funded and GST exempt.

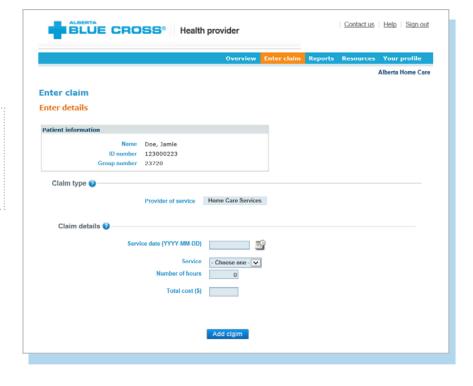


3. Once the claim details are entered, click "Add claim". If you have more claims to enter, continue entering them and verify details as they appear in the claim details table.

Once complete, click "Predetermine".

### Note

If your claim cannot be processed electronically, please contact the Provider Relations Contact Center at 1-800-588-1195.

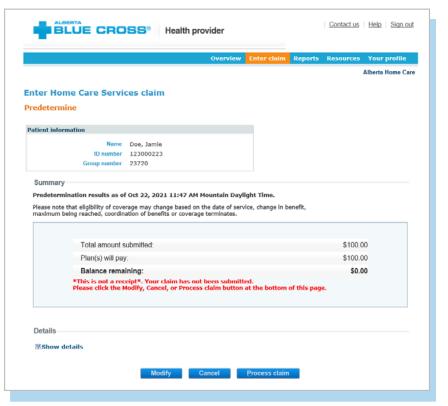


### 4. Predetermine

This is a simple inquiry into the patient's benefit plans to determine the coverage available. You can click "Modify" to go back to step 2, "Cancel" to exit without saving or "Process claim" to submit the claim online to Alberta Blue Cross for immediate processing.

### Note

Any outstanding balance remaining after claim adjudication may be billed to the member directly.



### 5. Process claim

You will receive a confirmation from Alberta Blue Cross within seconds of your submission.

A printable copy of the patient's claim statement is displayed. You must provide the patient with a printed copy of the claim statement.



# **EASY STEPS TO ACCESS REPORTS**

### 1. Reports

This screen allows you to pull up all claims waiting to be paid, history of settled claims and individual statements.

### Outstanding payment report •

The outstanding payment report lists all transactions that are remaining to be paid and allows you to cancel a claim.

### **Payment history report**

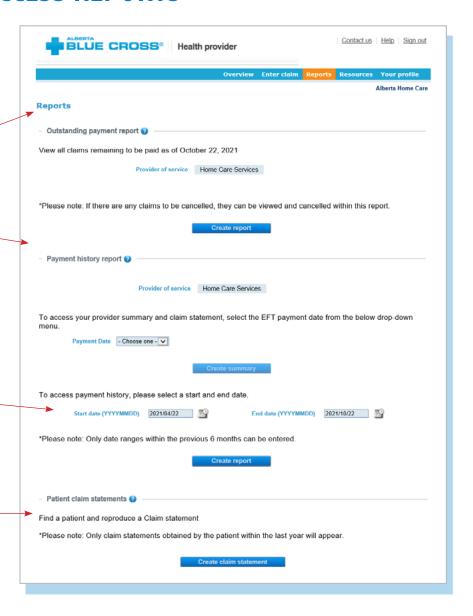
Once the transactions have been paid, they will be removed from the "Outstanding payment report" and will appear on the "Payment history report". Once payment has been issued, you can view and print the claims statement.

### **Patient date**

Select a start and end date to view a patient's payment history.

### Patient claim statements

This allows you to print a copy of the patient claim statements.



### Note

**Sort:** This is currently available for outstanding payment reports and patient claim statements. You can sort the column by clicking on the double-headed arrow, located beside the column title.



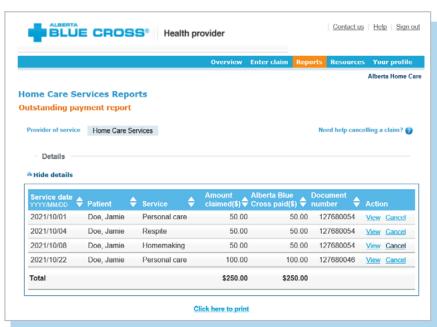


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### 2. Outstanding payment report

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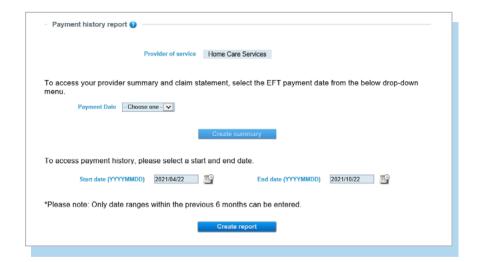




### 3. Payment history reports

**Claims statements** are available to view and print for one year.

**Payment history** is available for claims submitted in the last six months.



### 3a. Provider statement and summary

To access your claim statement, select the EFT payment date to create a PDF of your provider summary report, which can be saved or printed.



### PROVIDER SUMMARY

Date: May 24, 2016 Health statement number: 341/9812 PAYMENT MADE BY DIRECT DEPOSIT: 8103499

ABC HEALTH CLINIC 10009 108 ST NW EDMONTON AB TSJ 3C5

### Health claim summary

Total amount claimed	\$560.00
Amount not covered	\$107.00
Total amount paid	\$453.00

### Details

Document number	ID number	Patient name	Amount claimed	Amount pald
47787598	1234567-10	John Smith	37.00	37.00
47787598	1234567-11	Jane Smith	37.00	0.00
47787508	1234567-10	John Smith	37.00	37.00
47787508	1234567-11	Jane Smith	30.00	30.00
47787602	1234567-12	Dennis Smith	80.00	80.00
47787649	1234567-10	John Smith	33.00	33.00
47787649	1234567-10	John Smith	133.00	83.00
47787649	1234567-11	Jane Smith	34.00	34.00
47787653	1234567-12	Dennis Smith	130.00	110.00
TOTALS FOR THIS ST	TATEMENT		\$560.00	\$453.00

Patient name: John Smith

ID number.	780111222-11 Group. 99	Section, T31				Docum	ment ID: 4770764
Service date YYYY/MM/DD	Product or service	Claimed amount	Eligible amount	Percent covered	Other plan paid	This plan pald	Explanation number
2010/05/19	Personal Care	33.00	33.00	100%	0.00	33.00	
Totals for Jo	ohn	\$33.00			\$0.00	\$33.00	

Patient name: Jane Smith

ID number:	/80111222-12 Group: 99	Section: ISI				Lincui	mentili: 47787649
Service date YYYY/MM/DD	Product or service	Claimed amount	Eligible amount	Percent oovered	Other plan paid	This plan paid	Explanation number*
2016/05/19	Personal Care	33.00	33.00	100%	0.00	33.00	
2016/05/20	Homemaking	100.00	50.00	100%	50.00	50.00	3123
Totals for Ja	ane	\$133.00			\$50.00	\$03.00	

Patient name: Dennis Smith

ID number:	780111222-13 Group: 99	Section: TST				Docur	nent ID: 47787649
Service date YYYY/MM/DD	Product or service	Claimed amount	Eligible amount	Percent covered	Other plan paid	This plan paid	Explanation number*
2016/05/19	Respite	34.00	34.00	100%	0.00	34.00	
Totals for De	ennis	\$34.00			\$0.00	\$34.00	

Patient name: Jane Smith

ID number: 2319584-52 Group: 14200 Section: R

	Docum	nent ID: 47787653
olan baid	This plan paid	Explanation number*

Service date YYYY/MM/DD	Product or service	Claimed amount	Eligible amount	Percent covered	Other plan paid	This plan paid	Explanation number*
2016/05/01	Homemaking	130.00	110.00	100%	0.00	110.00	3345
Totals for De	enise	\$130.00			\$0.00	\$110.00	

### \*Explanations

See the no	umbered explanations below for details of how your claims were assessed. More than one numbered explanation may apply to a claim line.
3123	Payment has been reduced as the maximum amount allowed for this service has been reached. The service is limited to \$50 in 1 Days starting January 1.
3345	Payment has been reduced as the maximum amount allowed for this service has been reached. The service is limited to \$110 per occurrence.
344	Our files indicate coordination of benefits apply. Please provide a statement from the primary carrier or if coverage is

### Understanding this statement - Terms and Explanations

Eligible amount: This is the portion of the Claimed amount (not exceeding the amount claimed) that is calculated to be eligible for reimbursement subject to the terms of your plan. It includes deductible and/or co-payment amounts if they apply. You are responsible for the remaining oost not covered by your plan(s). Please note: It is important to refer to your benefit information to determine what is covered.

Other plan paid: This is the amount another benefit plan has already paid for your claim. Through coordination of benefits (COB), eligible individuals, couples or families with more than one benefit plan can combine their benefit coverage to receive up to the maximum eligible amount in accordance with the contract provisione. If you have other coverage and have not claimed through it, you may submit this statement as part of the claim to your other benefit carrier for coordination of benefits.

<u>Private and confidential</u> This statement is issued for use only by the provider of service for purposes of claims processing and payment and is not to be shared with any third party. If the patient requires a statement pertaining to a claim for services provided, please advise them to contact their benefits carrier directly.

Our mailing address is Alberta Blue Cross, 10009-108 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3C5.

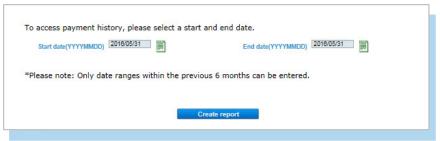
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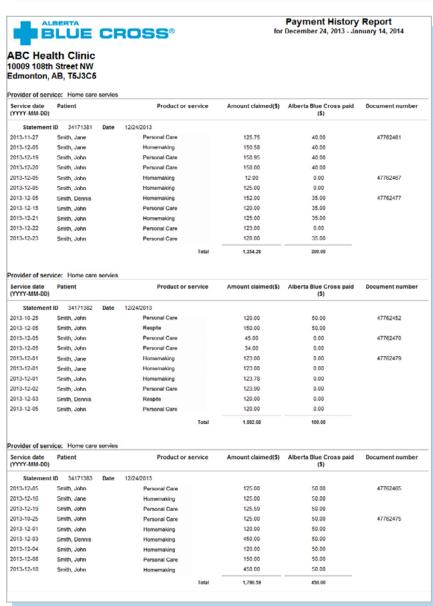
### **3b. Payment history**

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Enter a start and end date for the claim information you wish to display.

All transactions that have been paid by Alberta Blue Cross to your office within the specified time are listed on a printer-friendly screen. Statement IDs and document numbers are included for your reference, as well as details about each patient's claim.





# **EASY STEPS TO CANCEL A CLAIM**

### 1. Outstanding payment report

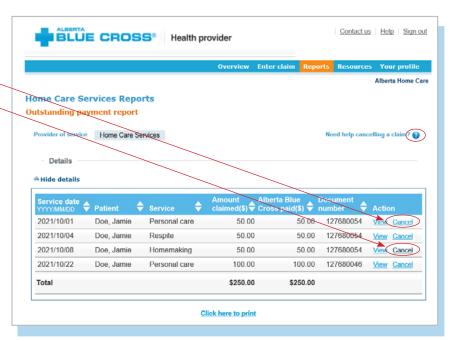
The "Provider of service" field will be populated automatically. Click on "Create a report" to create a report.



### 2. Cancel

To cancel a claim, click the hyperlink.

If the cancellation hyperlink is inactive, either the payment run is in progress or the document has exceeded the cancellation timeframe and the claim cannot be cancelled online. Please refer to the help icon for further instructions about how to cancel your claim.



### Note

If a payment run is in progress, you will receive notification that the claim cannot be cancelled.

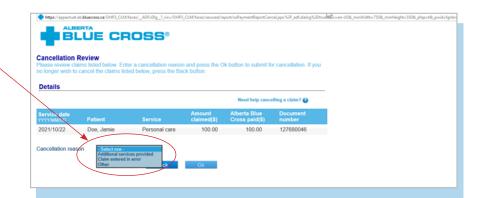


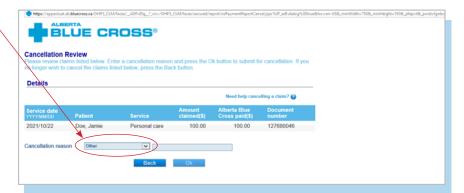
### 3. Cancellation review

If you choose to cancel a claim, you will be asked for the reason. A drop-down menu lists common reasons.

When cancelling a claim, all claims associated with the document number must be cancelled.

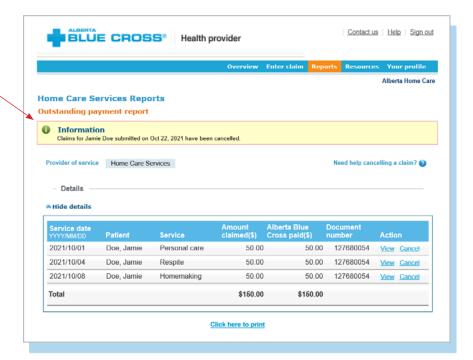
If you select "Other", please provide the reason.





### 4. Cancellation

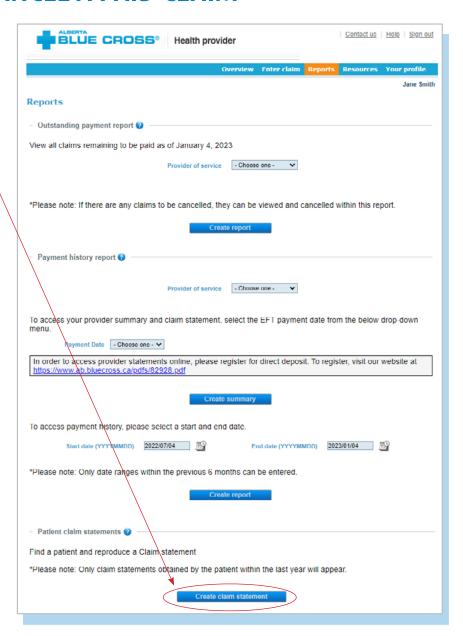
Once a claim has successfully been cancelled, it will appear at the top of the screen as confirmation.



# **EASY STEPS TO CANCEL A PAID CLAIM**

### 1. Patient claim statements

In the Reports section, click "Create a claim statement".



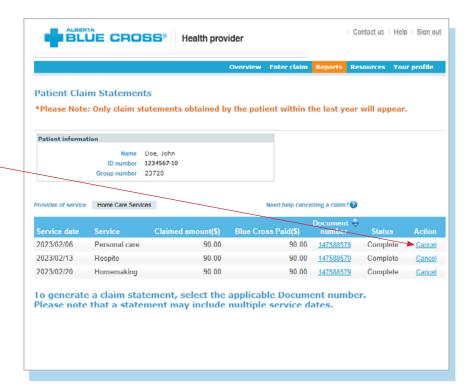
### 2. Enter patient information

Input the members ID numbers, group number, date of birth, and click "Search".



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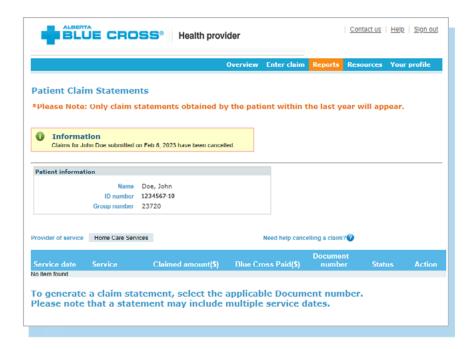
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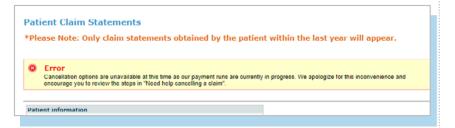
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# **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Using the health services provider site, an Internet connection and your browser, you can submit claims online at your convenience. Most computer systems today have everything required to use this website successfully.

### We're serious about privacy and security

The confidentiality of your records is very important—to you, and to us. You are responsible for your login ID and password. They are intended for your office's use only. We protect your information in various ways, including

- · encrypting all information;
- · securely delivering your login ID and password;
- denying access to website users after five consecutive unsuccessful sign-in attempts;
- automatically signing site users out after 30 minutes of inactivity; and
- requiring written authorization before granting access to the Health Services Provider site.

## **CONTACT US**

For more information about access to the health services provider site, contact Alberta Blue Cross Health Provider Service Relations at

- 780-498-8083 (Edmonton and area),
- toll free at 1-800-588-1195 (all other areas), or
- email at <a href="mailto:healthing@ab.bluecross.ca">healthing@ab.bluecross.ca</a>.

The online claims submission system is available Monday to Sunday, 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Mountain Time.

Our regular office hours are Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mountain Time.





