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To: Coordinated care organizations (CCOs)

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Subject: Claim formats for CCO-contracted Out-of-Hospital Birth services providers

This communication is about acceptable claim formats for Out-of-Hospital Birth (OOHB) services providers contracted by CCOs.

For CCO members meeting the OOHB criteria defined in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) [410-130-0240](#), the CCO [contract](#) says that Oregon Health Authority (OHA) pays for prenatal care, postpartum care and certain related services. Under these provisions, OOHB services are “carved out” from the CCO contract.

However, CCOs may also choose to sign a contract amendment to have the option of:

- Contracting with OOHB providers and
- Directly paying them as contracted providers for OOHB services.

To date, three CCOs have signed this OOHB opt-in amendment.

Typically, contracted OOHB providers bill CCOs using the professional services (CMS-1500 or 837P) claim format. However, the professional claim does not allow accurate reporting for episodes of care that cover more than one day (such as labor, delivery and postpartum observation). For this reason, OHA has determined that contracted OOHB providers may also bill the CCO using the institutional services (UB-04 or 837I) format.

This billing guidance does **not** apply to OOHB services billed to and paid by OHA.

What should you do?

CCOs that have signed the OOHB opt-in amendment should work with their contracted OOHB providers to ensure that the provider can submit claims to the CCO using the appropriate claim form.

Please note that OAR [Chapter 333, Division 77](#) (Birth Center Health and Safety Rules, effective November 2025) continue to govern discharge and transfer requirements. These rules specify that discharge generally occurs within 24 hours of birth and require transfer to hospital when clinical criteria are met.

Questions?

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