Chapter 10: Secondary and Tertiary Claims

This chapter describes the following topics related to Secondary and Tertiary Claims:

- Introduction to Secondary and Tertiary Claims
- Create a Secondary/Tertiary Payer
- Bill the Secondary Payer
- Enter Adjudication Information Whole Claim Adjudication and Service Line Adjudication
- Save and Validate the Claim



Introduction to Secondary and Tertiary Claims

The claims imported from your practice management system or EMR may include Secondary payer information or Tertiary payer information. You may need to add this information manually.

NOTE: You should add secondary or tertiary payer information before the Primary claim is released.

Secondary claims or tertiary claims are more often created when you are working with Institutional Claims rather than Professional claims. You create the Secondary claim after the Primary Payer has already paid their portion of the claim. You create the Tertiary claim after the Secondary pay has already paid their portion of the claim.

The blue bar on the claim detail page indicates if the claim has a secondary payer.

- A Primary Payer (Figure 1)
- B Secondary Payer (Figure 2)

MALLEN, DOUGLAS L	TRANSITIONS HOSPICECARE	\$800.00	814	10/01/2016 - 10/05/2016	A - BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD (E)	ERROR	
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Figure 1: Top Line information with Primary Payer

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Figure 2: Top Line information with Secondary payer



Create a Secondary/Tertiary Payer

On the Insurance section of the Claim Detail page, click the tab next to the Primary (A) payer to create a B- Secondary payer (Figure 3).

Click the tab next to the B -Secondary payer (B) to create a C- Tertiary payer (Figure 4).

You can also use this section to adjudicate claims that bill more than two payers, also referred to as tertiary payers.

NOTE: The current active insurance always appears with a white background.



Figure 3: Insurance section tab with Add Insurance indicated for Secondary

Insurance		
A - MEDICARE	× B - BLUE CROSS FEDERAL	× +
		Add Insurance

Figure 4: Insurance section tab with Add Insurance indicated for Tertiary

In Field 50, click the down arrow to change the payer (Figure 5).

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S0 Payer Name & Address	
UNKNOWN PAYER	
	Change Payer

Figure 5: Field 50 with Change Payer arrow selected



The Choose Payer dialog box opens. You can select a Secondary/Tertiary payer in the Select column. As you hover over the Payer, Claim Indicator Code, and Payer ID columns, that information appears in the hover text.

Choose Payer			
Select	Name	Claim Indicator Code	Payer ID
		UI	20413
0	A and I Benefit Plan Administrators	сі	93044
0	A.G.I.A. Inc.	сі	95241
0	AAA Insurance	СІ	11983
0	AAG Benefit Plan Administrators Inc.	сі	75240
0	AAG-American Administravie Group (Formerly Icon Benefit Admin)	CI	75185
0	AAL/Thrivent Financial For Lutherns	сі	THRIV
۲	AARP	СІ	36273
0	abed AARP	MC	87726,
0	ABMA (Alta Bates Medical Assocs) Medical Corp (Hnet Sr. and Secure Horizon)	СІ	E3510
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		Search Cle	25
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			Apply Cancel Clear

Click **Apply** to select that payer as your Secondary/Tertiary Payer (Figure 6).

Figure 6: Choose Payer dialog box



On the Transaction tab, click **Save** to save this change (Figure 7).



Figure 7: Transaction tab with Save indicated



Bill the Secondary Payer

After you save a Secondary payer, select the Copy tab (Figure 8).

- If you already transmitted the claim, click **Replicate** to create a secondary claim.
- If the claim has not yet been transmitted, click **Create Secondary Claim** to create a secondary claim.

Institutional Claim									
Quick Search Profiler									
Transaction Print	Copy June View								
	Replicate								
	Create Secondary Claim								
H36362 - SMALLEN, DOUGLAS L	Create Professional Claim								
1 BILLING PROVIDER	Create Professional Secondary Claim								

Figure 8: Copy tab with Replicate and Create Secondary Claim options

A dialog box asks you to confirm the action. Click **Yes**.The system displays a message that the claim has been successfully replicated. A dialog box asks if you want view the replicated claim. Click **Yes** to view the claim.

NOTE: The claim is also visible through the Events tab in the Primary claim (Figure 9).

Messages	Eve	nts	Related	
Event	User / Occurred			
<u>Replicated</u> (Secondary)			Support 02/13/20 10:16:33	

Figure 9: Events tab for Primary Claim with Secondary claim event

The only difference in the appearance of the claim is the indication of the secondary payer in the blue bar previously shown (Figure 2).



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Enter Adjudication Information

Before you save and validate the Secondary claim, you must enter adjudication information for the Primary claim.

On Remit Detail page, select the Related tab. Click the link associated with the Primary claim. Use the information that appears to enter adjudication information (Figure 10).

	lessages	Events		Related	
ID	Туре		Linked		
1	Institutio Claim	onal		02/02/18 13:37:13	

Figure 10: Related tab with Primary Claim

This following sections describe the two ways you can enter adjudication information:

- Whole Claim Adjudication (page 202)
- Service Line Adjudication (page 204)

Before you enter adjudication information, check the following items (Figure 11):

- The Secondary claim appears B payer is on the top line. For Tertiary claims, the C payer would appear on the top line.
- The Primary Insurance Payer is selected A insurance company name appears with a white background.

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Insurance										
A - BLUE CROSS BLUE	SHIELD	×	B - AARP	X +						

Figure 11: Secondary Claim with Primary Payer



Whole Claim Adjudication

Click the View Additional Insurance Information arrows icon (2000)

See Figure 12.

In	surance							
-	A - BLUE CROSS BLUE SHI	ELD 🗙 B-AARP	X +					
	Insurance Information							
	Claim Ind Code	CI		59 Patient Relate	01	View Addit	ional Insurance	Information

Figure 12: Primary Payer with View Additional Information icon indicated

Open the Additional Insurance Information dialog box to enter adjudication information from your Primary payer. Enter the following fields in the Coordination of Benefits section:

- Payment Date
- Prior Payment
- Non-Covered (if any)
- Allowed (if any)
- Denied (if any)



Click **Add Adjustment** to add any adjustment information exactly as it appeared on the remittance.

In the Balance Check section, you must see the message "Payment is balanced" that appears on a green background in order for you to bill the Secondary payer (Figure 13).

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stments 200.00	
stments 0.00	
Charge 800.00	
balanced	-
	stments 0.00 Charge 800.00

Figure 13: Additional Insurance Information



Service Line Adjudication

When the Primary payer adjudicates on each service line, scroll up to the Services

section and click the arrows icon (¹⁰⁰) (Figure 14).

Services												
42 Rev	43 Description	44 HCPCS	M	Modifiers		44 Rate	45 Srv Date	46 Units	47 Charge	48 Non-Covd	Action	
0851							10/01/2016	1	160.00		ભૂ 🤤	
0651							10/02/2016	1	160.00		View	

Figure 14: Services section with View icon indicated



Open the Edit Service Line dialog box and open the Adjudication panel. Enter adjudication information for that line item.

As with the Whole Claim adjudication, you must see the message "Payment is balanced" on a green background in order to bill the Secondary payer (Figure 15).

Edit Service Line									1
🐻 Service Line Inf	formation								
Revenue Code	e 0651		HCPCS			Modifiers			
Charge	160.00		Units	1		Rate			
Service Begin	Begin 10/01/2016		Service End	10/01/2016		Assessment Date			
Control Number			Repriced Ref No			Adj Repriced Ref No			
Non-Covered			Facility Tax			Service Tax			
Expected Reimbursement			Invoice Cost			Covered			
Description									
Payment Paid Date		Payment		Units Paid	Pat	tient Liability/Est Due			
🛃 Adjustments						🍕 Balance Check			
Group	Reason	Amount	Quantity	Action					
CO	B16	160		9	Service Payment 0.00			0.00	
Add Adjustment					+ Service Adjustments 160.00				
					Service Charge 160.00				
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Click **Done** when you are finished.

Figure 15: Edit Service Line dialog box with Adjudication panel

