

Chapter 83. Third Party Liability

Subchapter A. Claims

§8301. Pay and Chase

A. Definition

Claim—a single document line identifying the service and/or charges for services for a single recipient from a single provider.

B. Medicaid claims for services covered under the State Plan will be cost avoided when there is probable third party liability unless the claim is for one of the following services:

1. prenatal care pregnant women;
2. preventative pediatric services including early and periodic screening diagnosis and treatment of individuals under the age of 21 years;
3. services provided to an individual for whom child support enforcement services are being carried out by the Title IV-D state agency.

C. In processing these claims, the Medicaid agency will pay the claim and seek reimbursement from liable third parties, utilizing the claims method of payment called “pay and chase.” When the claim is for a service provided to an individual for whom child support enforcement services are being enforced through the Title IV-D state agency, the provider is not required to bill a liable third party prior to billing the state Medicaid agency. The state elects to process these claims in the same manner as for prenatal care and preventive pediatric services, that is, through the pay and chase process.

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