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# For your doctor

**Provider instructions for your Aetna Medicare<sup>SM</sup> PPO ESA Plan**

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Give this important flyer to your doctor



## Flexibility and confidence to choose your doctors

The Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO ESA plan is different than many other PPO plans.

It allows you to see any provider (whether in the network or not), and you pay the same out-of-pocket cost for both covered in-network and out-of-network medical benefits, as long as the provider is:

- Eligible to receive payment under Medicare
- Willing to bill & accept payment from Aetna

## Dear provider,

Your patient is a member of the Aetna Medicare<sup>SM</sup> Plan (PPO)—also known as the Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO plan.

Aetna<sup>®</sup> is a retiree benefits health plan partner. This unique, customized group plan is only available to members and their dependents whose former employer sponsors this plan.

## You can see Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO ESA Plan members even if you're not part of our network.

Just read this information sheet to learn how Aetna Medicare makes it easy for your patients to continue seeing you under our plan, regardless of whether you are in our network.



## Provider—Keep this with your patient's file

### What you need to know

- If you already participate with Aetna<sup>®</sup>, the terms of your agreement apply.
- If you **don't currently participate with Aetna, no contract** is required to see patients enrolled in the group Medicare Advantage plan.
- We encourage you to join our network; you'll find it's **easy to work with us**. Visit [aetna.com/joinAetna](http://aetna.com/joinAetna) today.
- This plan covers **the same benefits as Original Medicare and more**, including many preventive services.
- Referrals are **not** required.
- Precertification is **recommended**, but not required.
- You should collect the copayment for covered services as shown on your patient's Aetna ID card.
- Billing is simplified. Submit one bill to Aetna and receive one remittance.
- Reimbursement is simple and easy.
- The Medicare fee schedule and Medicare limiting charges will apply.

### What we pay you

- **Medicare-allowable rates** for clean claims on covered services under your patient's plan
- **Minus the patient cost share** (copayment) under your patient's plan

### How to submit claims

Include the patient-paid amount on claims submitted to us. Claims will be processed based on:

- Original Medicare billing rules
- Medicare fee schedule and Medicare limiting charges
- All prospective payment system requirements
- Local coverage determinations
- The patient's plan documents, including their Evidence of Coverage

With respect to bundling/unbundling logic, we use the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI). The link to NCCI on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) website is [CMS.gov/nationalcorrectcoding/](http://CMS.gov/nationalcorrectcoding/)

### Electronic claims submission

Use our electronic payer ID #60054.

### Paper claims submission

Submit all paper claims for covered services using an Aetna claim form or by using the standard CMS-1500 or UB-04 form and send to:

Aetna  
PO Box 981106  
El Paso, TX 79998-1106

If you have questions, you may contact Provider Services at **1-800-624-0756**, Monday–Friday, 8 AM–5 PM local time.

## Here's the Aetna medical ID card your patient will have:

