



# New Provider Orientation

Provider Relations Department - 2023

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1/6/2023

# Agenda

- Peach State Health Plan Overview
- Peach State Health Plan Service Model
- Provider Resources
- Provider Responsibilities
- Verification of Member Eligibility
- Utilization Management/Prior Authorization
- Authorization Appeal Process
- Claim Submission & Payment
- Claim Reconsideration/Appeal Process
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650 Local Employees


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**1,036,341 GA Medicaid Members**



**50** States with government sponsored healthcare programs  
Medicaid (29 States)  
**3** International Markets

# Georgia Families Program

Who is Georgia Families?

Georgia Families® is a program that delivers health care services to members of Medicaid and PeachCare for Kids®. The program is a partnership between the Department of Community Health (DCH).



# Planning for Healthy Babies®

*Planning for Healthy Babies® is a program from Georgia Department of Community Health.*

Planning for Healthy Babies® offers no cost family planning services. The Planning for Healthy Babies program consists of three services:

- **Family Planning (FP)**
  - Only includes family planning services.
- **Inter-pregnancy Care (IPC)**
  - Inter-pregnancy includes family planning and additional services for women who have delivered a very low birth weight (VLBW) baby.
- **Resource Mother**
  - Resource Mother is a case management service for women who have delivered a VLBW baby.

Members can apply online at [www.gateway.ga.gov](http://www.gateway.ga.gov) or pick up an application at their local:

- Public Health Department
- Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS) office
- Applications are also available at Federally Qualified Health Centers

# Provider Resources

# What Resources are Available to our Providers?



- Dedicated Provider Relations Contact
- Provider Servicing and Operations Team
- Provider Secure Portal
- Online Provider Training Library
- Provider Communications
- Community Based Medical Director & Clinical Teams
- Community Health Services Team
- Provider Practice HEDIS Education Team

# Provider Relations Servicing and Operations Specialist

- Serves as the primary liaison between the Plan and our provider network
- Coordinate and conduct ongoing provider education, updates and training
- Clarify plan reimbursement and operational policies
- Demographic Information Update
- Member/Provider roster questions
- Assist in Provider Portal registration and education
- Appointment Agenda Education/Support



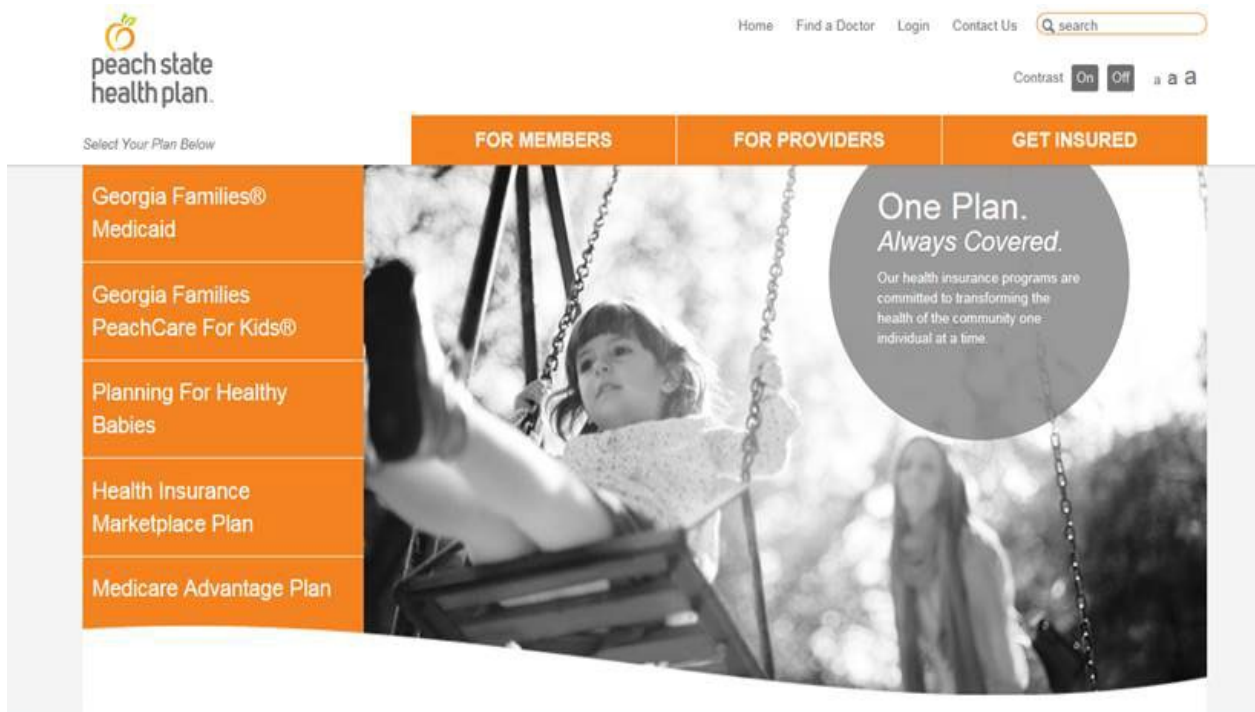
# Quality Practice Advisors

The Quality Practice Advisors will assist with:

- HEDIS measure education
- Resources available to support HEDIS gap closure in your office
- Education on the improved reporting and accessibility of data through new reporting tools. ( i.e., Provider Analytics, Patient Analytics, Availity)
- Incentive Programs



# Public Website



- Located at [www.pshp.com](http://www.pshp.com)
- Find-A-Provider Directory
- Quick Reference Materials
- Provider Relations Territory List
- Reimbursement Policies
- Provider Training Materials
- Preferred Drug List
- Pharmacy Forms & Notifications
- Provider Manual
- Provider Newsletters

# Secure Portal Features

- Multi-product line and tax id support
- Member Eligibility Check
- Authorization Submission and Authorization Status Check
- Claim Submission and Claim Status Check
- Claim Dispute Submission
- View Explanation of Payment and Payment History
- PCP Patient List
- Care Gap, Disease Management and Case Management Reporting
- Access to Interpreters
- Comprehensive Member Health Record
- Claim Audit Tool
- Secure Messaging to the Provider Services Team

## It's all part of the Members plan Coverage that covers more

Peach State Health Plan benefits include programs and services that fit every part of our members lives. We have perks for the whole family. We go beyond the basics providing extra benefits to our members. Such as GA Healthy Rewards, Mom's Meals® home-delivered meals program, Statewide Baby Showers and much more at no cost to the member.

### Extra Benefits For Our Members

**GA Healthy Rewards:** All active Peach State members may **earn up to \$300** dollars in gift cards incentives for completing healthy behaviors.

**Mom's Meals® home-delivered meals program:** Peach State offers a home-delivered meals program for qualified members. Including members enrolled in:

- Pre-natal program
- Chronic Conditions (Diabetes and Hypertension)
- Behavioral Health
- Post Discharge
- Social Determinants of Health

**Statewide Baby Showers:** Peach State hosts quarterly baby showers throughout the state to provide members with information on prenatal and post-delivery care; also a chance to be a part of a raffle and win prizes. Raffles includes: Free Diapers, Baby Monitor and Electric Breast pump



Visit [pickpeachstate.com](https://www.pickpeachstate.com) to learn more.

<https://www.pshpgeorgia.com/value-added-services.html>

# Provider Responsibilities

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- **Peach State Health Plan's Provider Manual:** Review the manual and comply with the policies outlined in the manual.
- Provider accepts Members for treatment, unless they have a full panel and are accepting no new Georgia Families or commercial patients. Providers do not intentionally segregate Members in any way from other persons receiving services.
- Ensure Members are provided services without regard to race, color, creed, sex, religion, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual preference, health status, income status, or physical or mental disability.
- PCPs and Physicians delivering care to Peach State Health Plan members must ensure adult members 18 years of age and older receive information on advance directives and are informed of their right to execute advance directives.

# Provider Responsibilities (cont'd)

- Prior-authorization requests may be submitted a maximum of thirty (30) days prior to the service/admission.
- Retroactive authorization request may be submitted for urgent services/admissions.
- Prior-Authorization requirements did not change with the implementation of the Centralized PA Portal. Providers are responsible for determining each CMO's prior-authorization requirements.
- Non-participating providers are eligible to submit authorization requests using the centralized portal.
- Peach State Health Plan has a Waste, Abuse and Fraud program that complies with state and federal laws. Peach State Health Plan, in conjunction with its management company, Centene Corporation, operates a billing errors/waste, abuse and fraud unit. The confidential hotline is 1-866-685-8664

# Appointment Availability Standards



Provider Type	Waiting Time
PCPs – Routine/Regular visit (Adult and Pediatric)	Not to exceed fourteen (14) calendar days
PCPs – Sick/Urgent (Adult)	Not to exceed twenty-four (24) clock hours
PCPs – Sick/Urgent (Pediatric)	Not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours
PCPs – Initial Pediatric health/screening check	Not to exceed ninety (90) calendar days of eligibility or within twenty-four (24) hours of birth (in the hospital) for all Newborns
Maternity care – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pregnant Women- Initial visit</li> <li>• First Trimester</li> <li>• Second Trimester</li> <li>• Third Trimester</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not to exceed fourteen (14) calendar days from enrollment</li> <li>• Not to exceed fourteen (14) calendar days</li> <li>• Not to exceed seven (7) calendar days</li> <li>• Not to exceed three (3) business days</li> </ul>



# Appointment Availability Standards (cont'd)



Provider Type	Waiting Time
Specialists	Not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days
Therapy: Physical, Occupational, Speech, and Aquatic Therapists	Not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days
Vision (Delegated Vendor)	Not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days
Dental Providers Routine visit-(Delegated Vendor)	Not to exceed twenty-one (21) calendar days
Dental Providers-Urgent visit-(Delegated Vendor)	Not to exceed forty-eight (48) clock hours
Elective Hospitalizations	Thirty (30) calendar days

# Appointment Availability Standards (cont'd)



Provider Type	Waiting Time
<p>Mental Health Providers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Care is available for a non-life-threatening appointment</li> <li>Urgent care appointment available for a patient</li> <li>Initial visit for routine care</li> <li>Follow-up Routine Care</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Within six (6) hours</li> <li>Within forty-eight (48) hours</li> <li>Within ten (10) business days</li> <li>Within ten (10) business days</li> </ul>
<p>Urgent Care provider</p>	<p>Not to exceed twenty-four (24) clock hours</p>
<p>Emergency provider</p>	<p>Immediately (twenty-four (24) clock hours a day/seven (7) days a week) without prior authorization</p>
<p>High Volume specialist: Ob/ Gyn (excludes Ob/Maternity care visit requirement) Urgent</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days</li> <li>Within seventy-two (72) hours</li> </ul>
<p>High Impact specialist: Oncology Urgent</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days</li> <li>Within seventy-two (72) hours</li> </ul>

# Appointment Availability Standards (cont'd)



## Maximum Office Wait Time Standards

Scheduled Appointments	Waiting times shall not exceed 60 minutes. After 30 minutes, patient must be given an update on waiting time with an option of waiting or rescheduling appointment.
Walk-In Appointments	Waiting time shall not exceed 90 minutes. After 45 minutes, patient must be given an update on waiting time with an option of waiting or rescheduling appointment.

## Provider Response Time For After Hour Calls

- Urgent Calls: Shall not exceed twenty (20) minutes
- Other Calls: Shall not exceed one (1) hour.

## Providers must provide one of the following after-hours options:

- An Auto Attendant/Answering system that advises the member that urgent calls will be returned within 20 minutes and all other calls will be returned within one hour and the option to page the physician; or
- A live attendant/Advice nurse and/or answering service that advises the member that urgent calls will be returned within 20 minutes and all other calls will be returned within one hour and the option to page the physician.

# Cultural Competency

- Cultural competency within Peach State Health Plan is defined as the willingness and ability of the organization to value the importance of culture in the delivery of services to all segments of the population. It is the use of a systems perspective which values differences and is responsive to diversity at all levels.
- Information on Peach State Health Plan's Cultural Competency Plan can be found on our website, [www.pshp.com](http://www.pshp.com).
- Peach State Health Plan offers Interpreter and Translation services both onsite and via telephone. Provider should call Member Services for assistance with interpreters at 1-800-704-1484.
- Language Line services are available in 140 languages to assist providers and enrollees in communicating with each other when there are no other translators available for the language.
- TTY access is available for enrollees who are hearing impaired through 1-800-255-0056.

# Clinical Care Management Services

## Clinical Management

- Prior Authorization
- IP Utilization: Onsite & Telephonic
- Integrated Care Management

## Care Coordination/Care Management

- High Risk OB
- Adult/Pediatric Complex (Face to Face)
- ER
- Lead
- Sickle Cell
- Behavioral Health
- Planning for Healthy Babies / Resource Mothers

## Education & Disease Management

- Asthma
- Diabetes
- Hypertension
- Mutual Approach to Partnership and Parenting

## Innovative Programs

- Start Smart for Your Baby
- Healthy Start Women & Newborn Program
- Community Health Services
- Embedded FQHC
- Nicotine Screening of Pregnant Members

# Care Coordination/Case Management

## Case Management

- Adult and Pediatric Complex and Catastrophic
- High Risk Pregnancies
- Short Term Care Coordination
- ER Diversion
- Lead
- Sickle Cell
- Behavioral Health
- P4HB: Resource Mothers



# Disease Management

## Disease Management

- Asthma (Involve People Care)
- Diabetes (Involve People Care)
- Hypertension



# Authorizations Overview

## How can I determine if a service requires prior authorization?

- Pre-Auth Check Tool: <https://www.pshpgeorgia.com/providers/preauth-check.html>
- Peach State Health Plan Prior Authorization Guidelines (PSHP website)

## What channels are available for prior authorization request submission?

- DCH Centralized Prior Authorization Portal: <https://www.mmis.georgia.gov>
- Peach State Health Plan Provider Secure Portal: <https://provider.pshpgeorgia.com/>
- Fax

## What is the turnaround time to process an authorization request?

- Standard – Up to 3 business days
- Expedited – Within 24 hours

## What is required for an authorization request to be considered expedited?

The provider must indicate, or Peach State Health Plan must determine, that following the standard review timeframe could seriously jeopardize the Member's life, health or ability to attain, maintain or regain maximum function.



# Prior Authorization

## >90% of Services Do Not Require Prior Approval

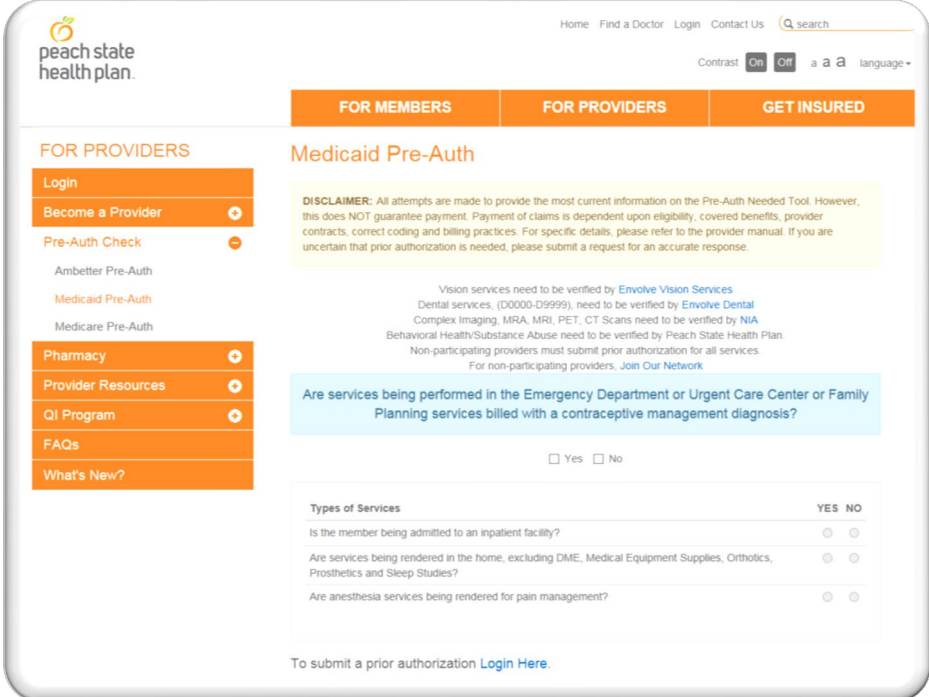
- Peach State Health Plan is an open access health plan; no initial specialist referral needed
- Annual review of prior authorization requirements
- At least annually, Peach State Health Plan updates authorization requirements to ease administrative burden

### PRIOR AUTHORIZATION SUMMARY

Place of Service	% Not Requiring Prior Approval
Office – POS 11	94%
Inpatient – POS 21	89%
Outpatient – POS 19 and 22	89%
Ambulatory Surgery Center – POS 24	93%

# Pre-Authorization Tool

- The **Pre-Auth Tool** may be used to identify the prior authorization requirement of a service or procedure.
- A search may be conducted by CPT code or HCPCS code.
- The Pre-Auth Check Tool is located on the Peach State Health Plan website at: <https://www.pshpgeorgia.com/providers/preauth-check.html>
- Tool available for Medicaid, Medicare and Ambetter product lines.



The screenshot shows the Peach State Health Plan website interface for the Pre-Auth Check tool. The page is titled "Medicaid Pre-Auth" and includes a disclaimer, a list of services requiring verification, and a table for service types.

**FOR PROVIDERS**

- Login
- Become a Provider
- Pre-Auth Check
- Ambetter Pre-Auth
- Medicaid Pre-Auth
- Medicare Pre-Auth
- Pharmacy
- Provider Resources
- QI Program
- FAQs
- What's New?

**FOR MEMBERS** | **FOR PROVIDERS** | **GET INSURED**

**Medicaid Pre-Auth**

**DISCLAIMER:** All attempts are made to provide the most current information on the Pre-Auth Needed Tool. However, this does NOT guarantee payment. Payment of claims is dependent upon eligibility, covered benefits, provider contracts, correct coding and billing practices. For specific details, please refer to the provider manual. If you are uncertain that prior authorization is needed, please submit a request for an accurate response.

Vision services need to be verified by **Envolve Vision Services**  
 Dental services, (D0000-D9999), need to be verified by **Envolve Dental**  
 Complex imaging, MRA, MRI, PET, CT Scans need to be verified by **NIA**  
 Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse need to be verified by **Peach State Health Plan**.  
 Non-participating providers must submit prior authorization for all services.  
 For non-participating providers, [Join Our Network](#)

**Are services being performed in the Emergency Department or Urgent Care Center or Family Planning services billed with a contraceptive management diagnosis?**

Yes  No

Types of Services	YES	NO
Is the member being admitted to an inpatient facility?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are services being rendered in the home, excluding DME, Medical Equipment Supplies, Orthotics, Prosthetics and Sleep Studies?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are anesthesia services being rendered for pain management?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

To submit a prior authorization [Login Here](#).

# Centralized PA Portal

The Centralized Prior-Authorization (PA) Portal was implemented by the Department of Community Health to streamline the prior authorization process for Georgia Medicaid providers by allowing providers to submit CMO and FFS authorizations in a centralized location.

Newborn delivery notification	In-state transplants
Inpatient hospital admissions and outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center procedures	Durable Medical Equipment
Hospital outpatient therapy (includes ambulatory surgical centers)	Children's Intervention Services
Outpatient Behavioral Health	Exclusions: Dental, vision and radiology are processed by third party vendors
Pregnancy notification	

- How can a provider access the Centralized PA Portal? [www.mmis.georgia.gov](http://www.mmis.georgia.gov)
- Where can Centralized PA Portal training be obtained? The **Provider Education** section of the GAMMIS website ([www.mmis.georgia.gov](http://www.mmis.georgia.gov))

# Centralized PA Portal Facts

- Both standard and expedited prior authorization requests may be submitted using the centralized portal. Requests will be subject to traditional processing times.
- Prior-authorization requests may be submitted a maximum of thirty (30) days prior to the service/admission.
- Providers are responsible for determining each CMO's prior authorization requirements.
- Non-participating providers are eligible to submit authorization requests using the centralized portal.

# PA Request Submission: Fax

- Faxed authorization requests must be submitted using the Peach State Health Plan Inpatient or Outpatient Fax Forms.
- Forms may be typed.
- A new copy of the form must be used for each prior authorization request. No photocopies.
- Faxed requests should be submitted to the UM department fax number associated with the product line.
- Faxed requests should only be submitted if the Centralized PA Portal is unavailable.

peach state health plan. **OUTPATIENT AUTHORIZATION FORM (GEORGIA)** Buy & Bill Drug Requests Fax to: 1-866-374-1579 Complete and Fax to: 1-866-532-8834 Transplant Requests Fax to: 1-833-783-0872

Request for additional units. Existing Authorization [ ] Units [ ]

**Standard requests** - Determination within 3 business days of receiving all necessary information.

**Urgent requests** - I certify this request is urgent to treat an injury, illness or condition that could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the member, or member's ability to regain maximum function, within 24 hours.

**\* INDICATES REQUIRED FIELD** **URGENT REQUESTS MUST BE SIGNED BY THE REQUESTING PHYSICIAN TO RECEIVE PRIORITY.**

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

\*Medical/Member ID [ ] Last Name, First (required) [ ] \*Date of Birth [ ]

**REQUESTING PROVIDER INFORMATION**

\*Requesting NPI [ ] \*Requesting TIN [ ] Requesting Provider Contact Name [ ]

Requesting Provider Name [ ] Phone [ ] Fax [ ]

**SERVICING PROVIDER / FACILITY INFORMATION**

Same as Requesting Provider

\*Servicing NPI [ ] \*Servicing TIN [ ] Servicing Provider Contact Name [ ]

Servicing Provider/Facility Name [ ] Phone [ ] Fax [ ]

**AUTHORIZATION REQUEST**

\*Primary Procedure Code (required) [ ] Additional Procedure Code (required) [ ] \*Start Date OR Admission Date (required) [ ] \*Diagnosis Code (required) [ ]

Additional Procedure Code (required) [ ] Additional Procedure Code (required) [ ] End Date OR Discharge Date (required) [ ] Total Livets/Viaets/Days [ ]

**\*OUTPATIENT SERVICE TYPE** (Enter the Service type number in the boxes)

401 Cardiac Pulmonary Rehab	Occupational Therapy	Physical Therapy
	944 Outpatient Hospital	144 Outpatient Hospital
<b>DME</b>	945 Other Site	145 Other Site
417 Rental		
100 Purchase	497 Office Visit/Specialty Consult	<b>Speech Therapy</b>
	997 Outpatient Hospice	744 Outpatient Hospital
999 Drug Testing	794 Outpatient Services	745 Other Site
709 Genetic Testing	<b>Drugs</b>	794 Transportation
949 Home Health	422 Biopharmacy Buy & Bill Drugs	
600 Home Infusion	<b>Fax DRUG ORDERS to (1-866-374-1579)</b>	
410 Observation	<b>For Cancer Treatments (Chemotherapy &amp; Radiation), please contact New Century Health at my.newcenturyhealth.com</b>	
650 Radiation Therapy		

**For High Tech Imaging, please continue to contact NIA**


**ALL REQUIRED FIELDS MUST BE FILLED IN AS INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL BE REJECTED. COPIES OF ALL SUPPORTING CLINICAL INFORMATION ARE REQUIRED. LACK OF CLINICAL INFORMATION MAY RESULT IN DELAYED DETERMINATION.**

Disclaimer: An authorization is not a guarantee of payment. Member benefits begin at the time member's request. Services must be a covered benefit plan benefit and necessary, medically necessary, and authorized as per Plan policy and procedures. Confidentiality: The information contained in this transmission is confidential and may be protected under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. If you are not the intended recipient, any use, distribution, or copying is strictly prohibited. If you have received this transmission in error, please notify us immediately and destroy this document.

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# Appeals





**APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE FORM**

Please fill out this form only if you would like to choose someone to represent you in your appeal. Be sure to sign your name. An appeal can be requested when you have been denied a service. Please fax or mail this form to the number or address below.

You must tell your provider if you select him or her to be your appeal representative.

Note: Please ask the provider to submit a formal request for an appeal. All medical notes should be submitted to support the request.

To Peach State Health Plan Appeals and Grievance Department:  
I \_\_\_\_\_ give consent for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Member's Name or Parent/Guardian) (Provider's Name or Other Representative)  
to act as my representative in the filing and processing of an administrative review (appeal).

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Member or Parent/Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Member's Medicaid Number)

This form is not a formal appeal request. Peach state requires a verbal appeal request or written appeal request. Call member services at 1-800-704-1484 to make a verbal appeal request. See the contact info below to mail or fax your written appeal request.

Appeal Phone (Verbal Request): 1-800-704-1484

Appeal Address and Fax Number (for written request):

Appeal Address:  
Peach State Health Plan  
Appeals and Grievance Department  
1100 Circle 75 Parkway, Suite 1100  
Atlanta, GA 30339  
Fax: 1-866-532-8655

Do you need help understanding this? If you do, call Peach State's Member Service line at 1-800-704-1484. If you are hearing impaired, call our TDD/TTY 1-800-659-7487. To get this information in large font or have this information read to you over the phone, call Member Services.

- An **Appeal** is a formal request for the review of an adverse authorization determination.
- An adverse authorization decision is a denied, partially-denied or reduce authorization determination.
- A **Notice of Adverse Benefit Determination** (letter) is issued to the provider and the member when an adverse authorization determination is received.
- An appeal request must be submitted within sixty (60) calendar days from the date of the Notice of Adverse Benefit Determination to be considered timely.

## Appeals (con't)

- An appeal request may be submitted by:
  - Member
  - Authorized Representative of the Member
  - Provider with member's written consent
  - A legal entity of a deceased member's estate
- Appeal requests may be submitted via phone, fax or mail.
- Verbal request for an appeal must be followed with a written request from the member or the member's written consent.
- A signed [Appointment of Representative Form](#) may be used by the provider to obtain the member's written consent.
- Faxed requests should be submitted to: 1-866-532-8855

# Appeals (con't)

- Mailed requests should be submitted to:
  - Peach State Health Plan
  - Attn: Appeals and Grievance Department
  - 1100 Circle 75 Parkway, Suite 1100
  - Atlanta, GA 30339
  
- An acknowledge letter will be provided to the member and provider within 10 calendar days of the receipt of the request.
  
- A determination will be made within thirty (30) calendar days for a pre-service and post-service.
  
- The member and the provider will be notified of the outcome of the appeal request in writing during the review time frame.
  
- The appeal will be conducted by a health care provider with clinical training and experience in treating the member's condition or disease.



# Expedited Appeals

- An **expedited appeal** request may be submitted if a decision on an appeal is required immediately based on a member's health needs.
- A provider may submit a request for an expedited appeal by calling Peach State Health Plan Provider Services at 1-866-874-0633.
- The expedited review request will be reviewed, and a determination will be provided in writing within 72 hours or as expeditiously as the member's health requires.
- An expedited review may be reclassified as a standard appeal if there is not sufficient evidence that an expedited review is required.
- If the review is reclassified as a standard review the requestor will be notified by telephone immediately and a letter will be sent within two (2) calendar days advising that the appeal will be reviewed through the standard review process.

# Administrative Law Hearing

- An **Administrative Law Hearing (ALH)** is the final step in the authorization appeal process.
- A provider must exhaust all available appeal and provider compliant options before submitting a request for an Administrative Law Hearing.
- Administrative Law Hearing requests must be submitted within thirty (30) calendar days of the Notice of Adverse Action.
- All request for an Administrative Law Hearing must be submitted in writing to:

Peach State Health Plan  
Attn: Administrative Law Hearing Coordinator  
1100 Circle 75 Parkway, Suite 1100  
Atlanta, GA 30339

# Specialty Company/Vendors



Service	Specialty Company/Vendor	Contact Information
High Tech Imaging Services	National Imaging Associates	1-888-642-4723 <a href="http://www.radmd.com">www.radmd.com</a>
Vision Services	Engolve Vision	1-866-458-2139 <a href="https://visionbenefits.engolvehealth.com/">https://visionbenefits.engolvehealth.com/</a>
Dental Services	Engolve Dental	1-844-464-5632 <a href="https://dental.engolvehealth.com/">https://dental.engolvehealth.com/</a>
Retail Pharmacy Services	Pharmacy Services	1-866-399-0928 (PA line) <a href="https://www.covermymeds.com">https://www.covermymeds.com</a>
Retail Pharmacy Claims	CVS/Caremark	1-844-297-0513 <a href="https://rxservices.cvscaremark.com/">https://rxservices.cvscaremark.com/</a>
Chemotherapy, Radiation	New Century Health	1-888-999-7713 <a href="https://www.newcenturyhealth.com/">https://www.newcenturyhealth.com/</a>

# Claims

# Claim Submission

Peach State Health Plan offers the following claim submission options:

1. Provider Secure Portal: <https://provider.pshpgeorgia.com>
2. EDI/Clearinghouse: Payor ID 68069\*
3. Mail /Paper claim submission:

Peach State Health Plan  
P.O. Box 3030  
Farmington, MO 63640-3812

# Claim Submission Timelines

Claim Type	Timely Submission Deadline
Original Claim	Six (6) months from the date of service
Corrected Claim	Six (6) months from the month in which the service was rendered or three months (3) from the month in which the denial occurred, whichever is later.
Claim Reconsideration	Six (6) months from the month in which the service was rendered or three months (3) from the month in which the denial occurred, whichever is later.
Claim Appeal	30 Days from the Claim Reconsideration Denial Date
Claim Life Cycle	Claims submissions and adjustments to denied claims completed within 365 days.
Administrative Law Hearing (ALH)	15 days from the Claim Appeal Denial
Secondary (COB) Claim	Within one (1) year from date of service

# Claims Processing Timelines

## “Clean” Claims:

- **Clean Claims** are defined as claims received by Peach State Health Plan for adjudication, in a nationally accepted format in compliance with standard coding guidelines which require no further information, adjustment or alternation to be processed for payment.
- Clean Claims will be adjudicated within 15 business days from the date of receipt.

## “Non-clean” Claims

- **Non-clean claims** are submitted claims that required further information or investigation for processing.
- Non-clean claims may be subject to a front-end rejection.
- Non-clean claims will be adjudicated (finalized as paid or denied) within thirty (30) business days from the date of submission.

# Claims Payment

## PaySpan

- Peach State Health Plan partners with PaySpan for Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA) and Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).
- The following options are available for PaySpan registration:
  - Phone: 1-877-331-7154
  - Web: <https://www.payspanhealth.com/>

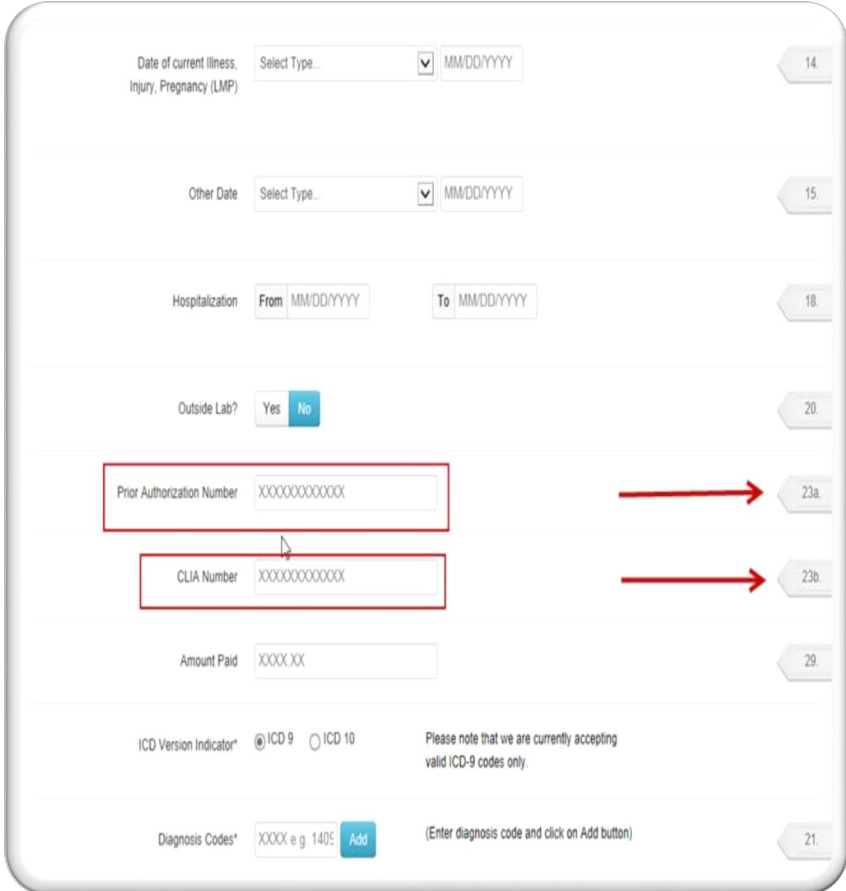


# Claim Submission Policies

- **CLIA Requirement:** Peach State Health Plan requires that a valid and appropriate CLIA certification or waiver number be included on all professional claims that contain laboratory services.
- **Ordering, Prescribing & Referring (OPR) Requirement:** In accordance with the Affordable Care Act, Peach State Health Plan currently edits medical claims for the presence of an Ordering, Referring or Prescribing Medicaid provider NPI.
- **Taxonomy Requirement:** Peach State Health Plan requires that all professional and facility claims be submitted with the applicable taxonomy code and qualifier code consistent with the provider's specialty.
- **Corrected Claim Submission:** Peach State Health Plan requires that all corrected claims be submitted with the appropriate claim resubmission code "7" and the original claim number. Claims should be free of handwriting.

# CLIA Requirement

- The **CLIA Number** is required on the CMS 1500 claim form in all instances in which a CLIA waived or CLIA certified laboratory service is billed.
- The CLIA number should be populated in **Box 23** on a paper CMS 1500 claim.
- The CLIA number should be populated in **Box 23b** of the CMS 1500 claim form on the provider web portal.
- The CLIA number SHOULD supersede the authorization number on a paper claim.
- Failure to populate the CLIA number on the claim will result in a service denial.



The screenshot displays a web portal interface for a CMS 1500 claim form. The interface includes several input fields and buttons:

- Date of current illness, Injury, Pregnancy (LMP):** Select Type... (dropdown), MM/DD/YYYY (text), 14.
- Other Date:** Select Type... (dropdown), MM/DD/YYYY (text), 15.
- Hospitalization:** From MM/DD/YYYY (text), To MM/DD/YYYY (text), 18.
- Outside Lab?:** Yes (radio), No (radio), 20.
- Prior Authorization Number:** XXXXXXXXXXXX (text), 23a. (Red box highlights this field, with a red arrow pointing to the right.)
- CLIA Number:** XXXXXXXXXXXX (text), 23b. (Red box highlights this field, with a red arrow pointing to the right.)
- Amount Paid:** XXXX.XX (text), 29.
- ICD Version Indicator:**  ICD 9  ICD 10. Please note that we are currently accepting valid ICD-9 codes only.
- Diagnosis Codes:** XXXX e.g. 1405 (text), Add (button), (Enter diagnosis code and click on Add button), 21.

# Taxonomy: CMS-1500

## **Taxonomy Requirements:**

- All claims are required to be submitted with the appropriate taxonomy code.
- Rendering and billing taxonomy are required on the claim.
- Referring taxonomy is conditionally required on the claim.
- Claims will be subject to a front-end rejection if taxonomy is omitted from the claim.

## **Rendering Taxonomy (Required)**

Box 24i should contain the qualifier of “ZZ.” Box 24j (shaded area) should contain the taxonomy code.

## **Billing Taxonomy (Required)**

Box 33b should contain the qualifier of ZZ along with the taxonomy code.

## **Referring Taxonomy (Conditionally Required)**

If field 17 is completed, then taxonomy is required in 17a with the “ZZ” qualifier.

# Taxonomy: CMS-1500 (cont'd)



Rendering Provider: Box 24i/24j

24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE					B.	C.	D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES		E.	F.	G.	H.	I.	J.
From To					PLACE OF	EMG	(Explain Unusual Circumstances)		DIAGNOSIS	\$ CHARGES	DAYS OR UNITS	EPSDT Family Plan	ID. QUAL.	RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #
MM	DD	YY	MM	DD	YY		CPT/HCPCS	MODIFIER	POINTER					
													<b>ZZ</b>	<b>208D0000X</b>
													NPI	<b>REQUIRED</b>
													NPI	

Billing Provider: Box 33b

31. SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER INCLUDING DEGREES OR CREDENTIALS (I certify that the statements on the reverse apply to this bill and are made a part thereof.)	32. SERVICE FACILITY LOCATION INFORMATION		33. BILLING PROVIDER INFO & PH # ( )	
			<b>John Doe M.D.</b> <b>1313 Any Street</b> <b>Atlanta, GA 30339</b>	
SIGNED	DATE	a. NPI	b.	*NPI REQUIRED      b. <b>ZZ208D0000X</b>

# Taxonomy: CMS-1500 (cont'd)

Referring Provider: Box 17a

14. DATE OF CURRENT ILLNESS, INJURY, or PREGNANCY (LMP) MM DD YY QUAL	15. OTHER DATE QUAL MM DD YY	16. DATES PATIENT UNABLE TO WORK IN CURRENT OCCUPATION FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY
17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE Jane Doe MD	17a. ZZ 208D00000X 17b. NPI REQUIRED	18. HOSPITALIZATION DATES RELATED TO CURRENT SERVICES FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY
19. ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION (Designated by NUCC)	20. OUTSIDE LAB? \$ CHARGES <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

# OPR Requirement CMS 1500 Claim Form



Enter the OPR information in **Box 17** and **Box 17b** of the CMS 1500 claim form.

14. DATE OF CURRENT ILLNESS, INJURY, or PREGNANCY (LMP) MM DD YY QUAL.			15. OTHER DATE QUAL. MM DD YY			16. DATES PATIENT UNABLE TO WORK IN CURRENT OCCUPATION FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY									
17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE			17a. _____			18. HOSPITALIZATION DATES RELATED TO CURRENT SERVICES FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY									
			17b. NPI _____			20. OUTSIDE LAB? \$ CHARGES <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO									
19. ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION (Designated by NUCC)															
21. DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY Relate A-L to service line below (24E) ICD Ind.															
A. _____			B. _____			C. _____			D. _____						
E. _____			F. _____			G. _____			H. _____						
I. _____			J. _____			K. _____			L. _____						
24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE			B. PLACE OF SERVICE	C. EMG	D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES (Explain Unusual Circumstances)				E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER	F. \$ CHARGES	G. DAYS OR UNITS	H. EPSDT Family Plan	I. ID. QUAL.	J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #	
From		To													
MM	DD	YY	MM	DD	YY	SERVICE	EMG	CPT/HCPCS	MODIFIER						

**Box 17:**

- Enter ordering, referring or supervising provider name to the right of the dotted line.
- Enter the 2-digit qualifier (ordering=DK, referring=DN, or supervising =DQ) to the left of the dotted line.
- Note: 2-digit qualifier not required for pharmacy claims.

**Box 17b:** Enter Individual Type 1 NPI number of the ordering, prescribing or referring provider.

# OPR Requirement UB-04 Claim Form



Enter the OPR information in **Box 78** of the UB-04 claim form.

c. OTHER PROCEDURE CODE		DATE		d. OTHER PROCEDURE CODE		DATE		e. OTHER PROCEDURE CODE		DATE	
80 REMARKS		81CC								77 OPERATING	
		a								NPI	
		b								QUAL	
		c								LAST	
		d								FIRST	
										78 OTHER	
										NPI 1234567890	
										QUAL D	
										LAST PROVIDER	
										FIRST N SAMPLE	
										79 OTHER	
										NPI	
										QUAL	
										LAST	
										FIRST	

**Box 78:**

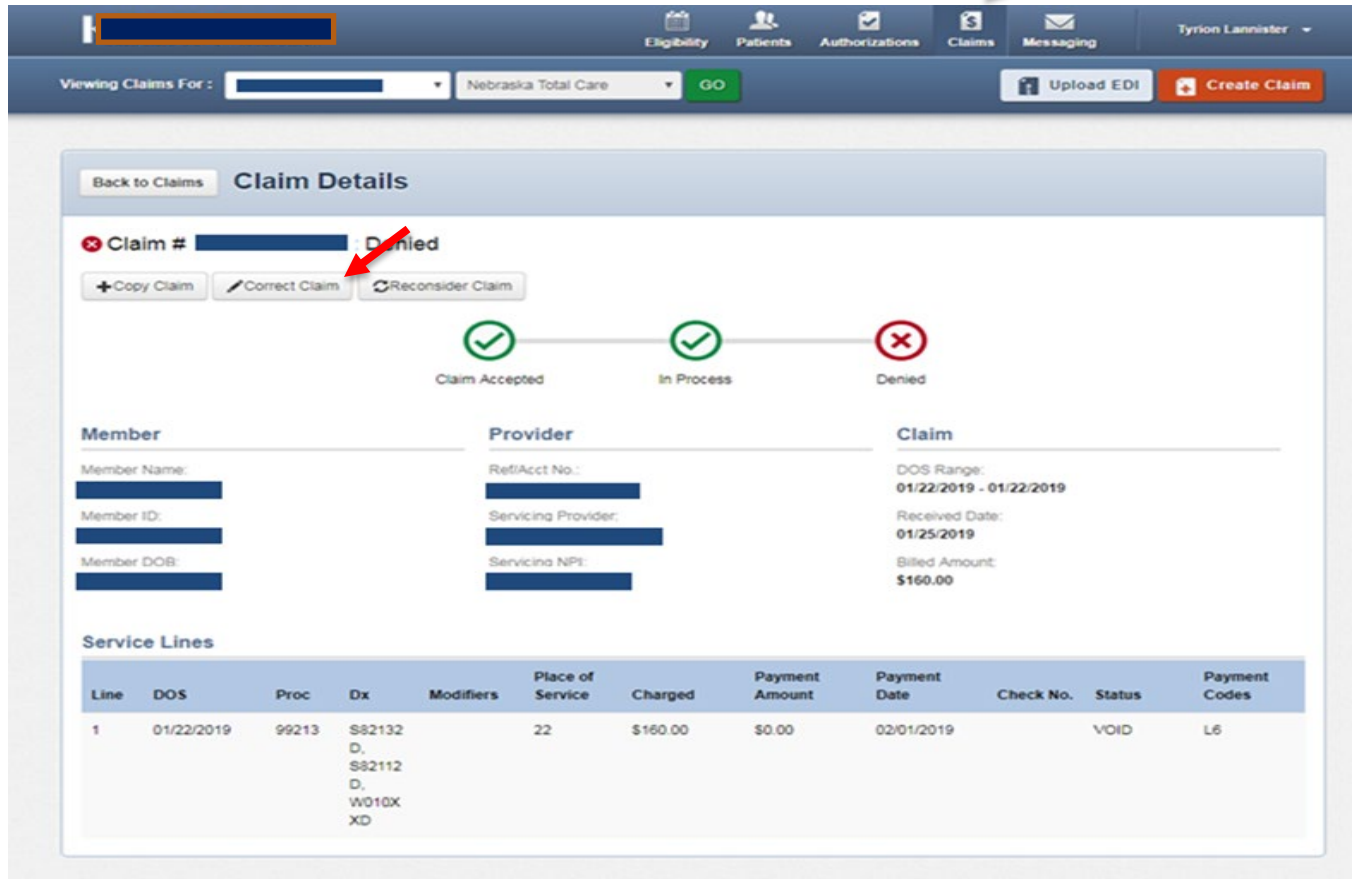
- Enter the ordering, referring or supervising provider's name and Individual Type 1 NPI number.
- Enter the 2-digit qualifier (ordering=DK, referring=DN, or supervising =DQ) in the box next to the "QUAL" field.

# Corrected Claim Submission

- A **corrected claim** may be submitted to correct or change information submitted on the original provider claim.
- Corrected claims are subject to timely filing deadlines and must be submitted within six (6) months from the month of service or within three months from the EOP, whichever is later.
- A corrected claim may only be submitted **after** the original claim has completed the adjudication process.
- Corrected Claim submission options:
  - Paper
  - Electronically: Provider Secure Portal or approved Clearinghouse
- The “Correct Claim” button on the claim detail screen should be used to correct a claim on the Provider Secure Portal.



# Correct Claim: Web Portal



The screenshot shows a web portal interface for managing claims. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for Eligibility, Patients, Authorizations, Claims, and Messaging. The 'Claims' tab is selected, and a red arrow points to it from the title above. Below the navigation bar, there is a search area for 'Viewing Claims For' with a dropdown menu set to 'Nebraska Total Care' and a 'GO' button. To the right of the search area are buttons for 'Upload EDI' and 'Create Claim'. The main content area is titled 'Claim Details' and includes a 'Back to Claims' link. The claim status is shown as 'Denied' with a red 'X' icon. Below the status, there are three buttons: '+Copy Claim', 'Correct Claim' (highlighted with a red arrow), and 'Reconsider Claim'. A progress bar shows the claim's status: 'Claim Accepted' (green checkmark), 'In Process' (green checkmark), and 'Denied' (red 'X'). Below the progress bar, there are three sections: 'Member', 'Provider', and 'Claim'. The 'Member' section includes Member Name, Member ID, and Member DOB. The 'Provider' section includes RefAcct No., Servicing Provider, and Servicing NPI. The 'Claim' section includes DOS Range (01/22/2019 - 01/22/2019), Received Date (01/25/2019), and Billed Amount (\$160.00). At the bottom, there is a 'Service Lines' table with columns for Line, DOS, Proc, Dx, Modifiers, Place of Service, Charged, Payment Amount, Payment Date, Check No., Status, and Payment Codes.

Line	DOS	Proc	Dx	Modifiers	Place of Service	Charged	Payment Amount	Payment Date	Check No.	Status	Payment Codes
1	01/22/2019	99213	S82132 D, S82112 D, W010X XD		22	\$160.00	\$0.00	02/01/2019		VOID	L6

# Claim Reconsiderations



 peach state health plan

**Provider Adjustment Request Form**

Please use this form to request a review of claim payment received that does not correspond with the payment expected. Matters addressed via this form will be acknowledged as requests for adjustment only.

**Note:** Requests must be submitted within 3 months of the original disposition of the claim. Claims can be sent individually or as a batch of similar or like claims. Please complete the appropriate section for resubmission type.

**IMPORTANT: PLEASE COMPLETE ALL REQUIRED FIELDS BELOW**

**SIMPLE CLAIM ADJUSTMENT**

Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Provider Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Control Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT REQUEST:**

Denied for no authorization: authorization # \_\_\_\_\_ obtained  
 Denied for no authorization: no referral required  
 Denied for timely filing in error (please attach proof of timely filing)  
 Paid to incorrect provider  
 Incorrect payment amount  
 Other (please explain below)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**BATCH SUBMISSION OF SIMILAR/LIKE CLAIMS FOR ADJUSTMENT**

Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Provider Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Control Claim Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Claims Attached \_\_\_\_\_

**Explain the Issue in Detail:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** If a claim requires a correction, such as a valid procedure, location code or modifier, please circle the claim number on the EOP and attach a copy of the new CMS 1500 or UB 04 marked "RESUBMISSION." Mail completed form(s) and attachments to:

Peach State Health Plan  
P.O. Box 3030  
Farmington, MO 63640

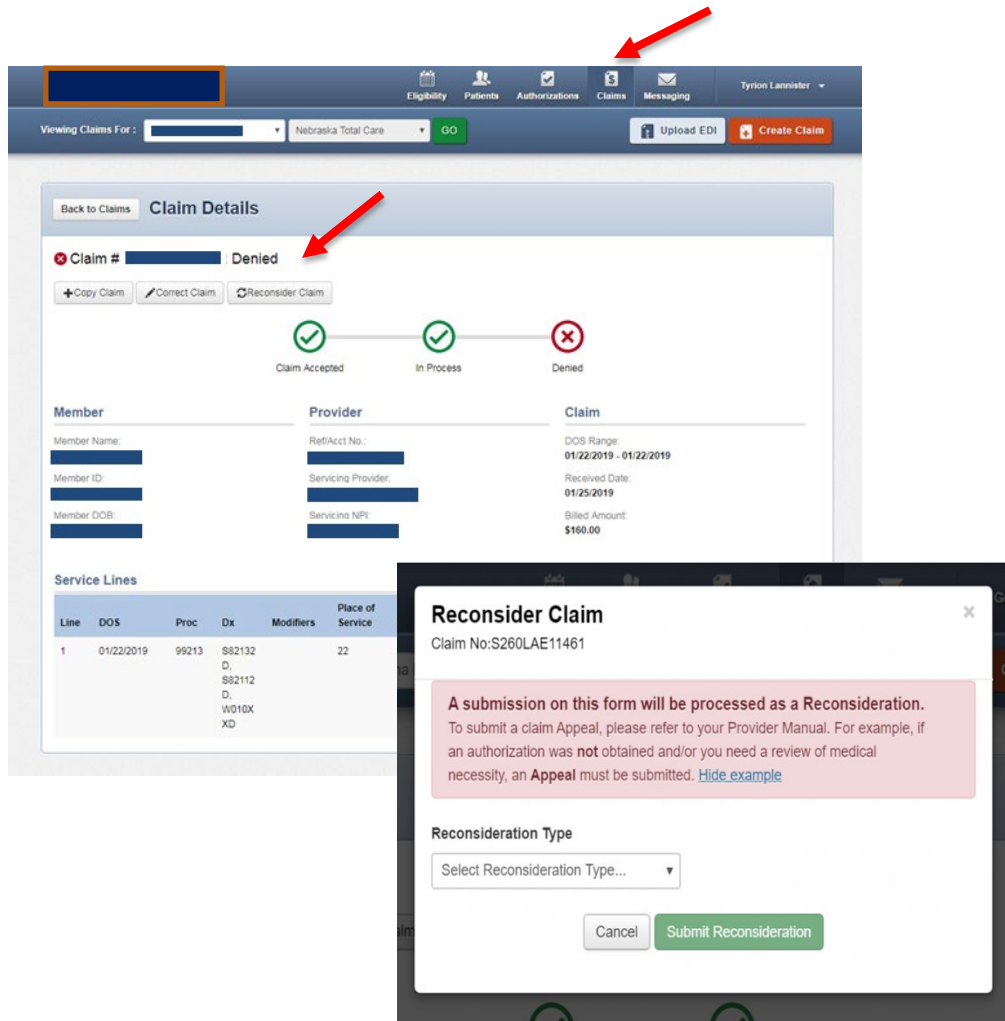
A photocopy of this form is permissible.

- A **claim reconsideration** is a formal request to have a claim that has received an adverse determination “reconsidered.”
- A claim reconsideration is the first step in the claim dispute process.
- Claims reconsiderations must be submitted within six (6) months from the month of the date of service or three (3) months from the claim denial (EOP), whichever is later.
- The **Provider Adjustment Request** form is used to submit a claim reconsideration request.

# Claim Reconsiderations (con't)

- Claim reconsideration requests may be submitted electronically via the Provider Secure Portal or by mail.
- Mailed claim reconsideration requests should be submitted to:
  - Peach State Health Plan
  - PO Box 3030
  - Farmington, MO 63640-3812
- The Provider Adjustment Request Form is required for claim reconsideration requests submitted by mail and by provider secure portal.

# Claim Reconsiderations (con't)



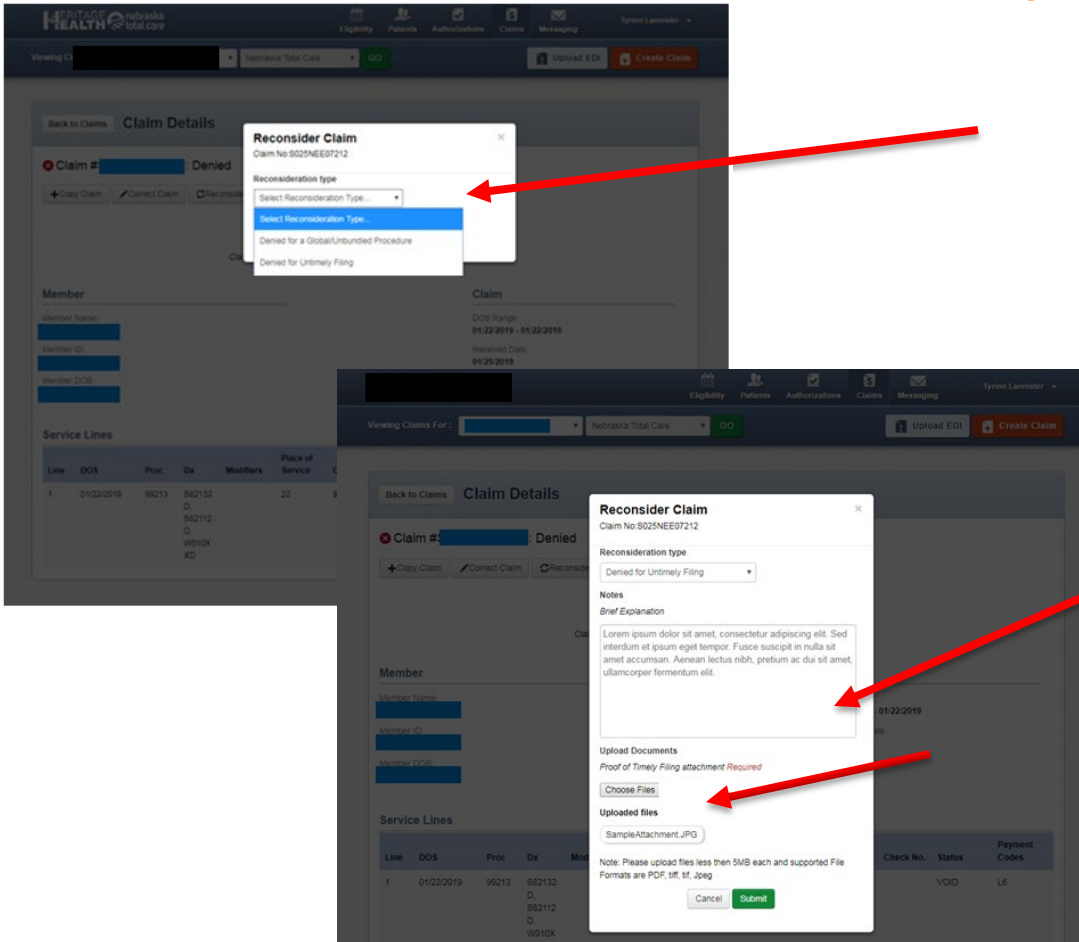
The screenshot displays the Claims Tracker interface. At the top, the 'Claims' tab is selected, indicated by a red arrow. Below the navigation bar, the 'Claim Details' page is shown for a claim with status 'Denied', also indicated by a red arrow. The 'Reconsider Claim' button is visible. A pop-up window titled 'Reconsider Claim' is overlaid, showing the claim number S260LAE11461 and a 'Reconsideration Type' dropdown menu. A pink warning box states: 'A submission on this form will be processed as a Reconsideration. To submit a claim Appeal, please refer to your Provider Manual. For example, if an authorization was not obtained and/or you need a review of medical necessity, an Appeal must be submitted. [Hide example](#)'.

Line	DOS	Proc	Dx	Modifiers	Place of Service
1	01/22/2019	99213	S82132 D, S82112 D, W010X XD		22

- Within the Claims tab, navigate to the Claim Details page of a paid or denied claim.
- The **Reconsider Claim** button will be visible unless a web-initiated reconsideration is already in progress.
- Select **Reconsider Claim** to open Reconsider Claim pop-up window with a Reconsideration type dropdown.
- **Please Note: Claims Tracker is only for Reconsiderations. Providers are not to use this for Appeals**

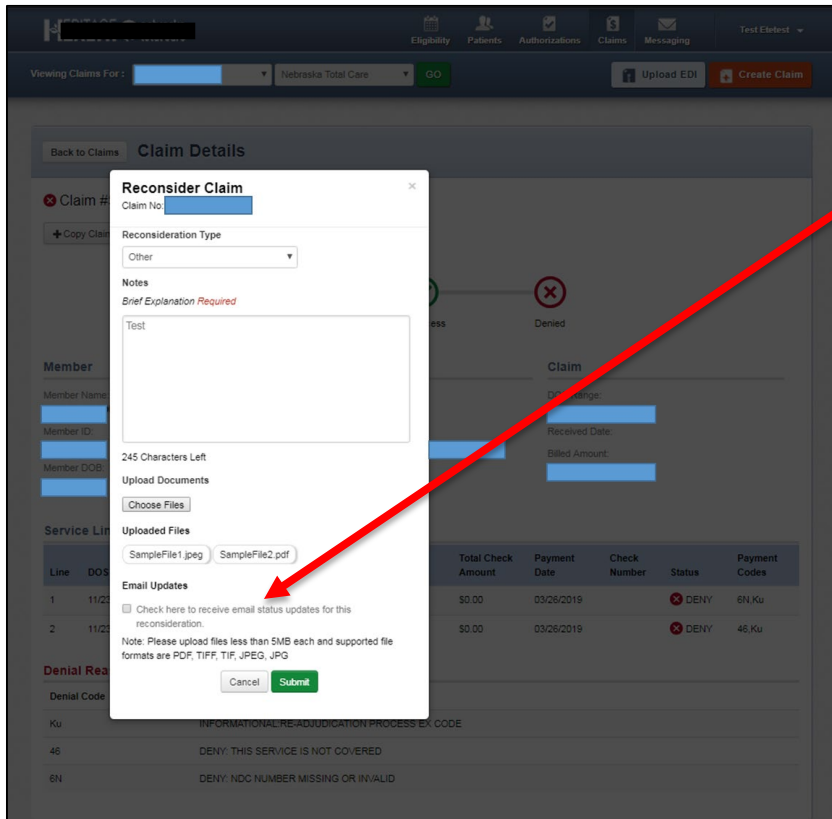
# Claim Reconsiderations (con't)

- From the dropdown, select a Reconsideration Type.
  - Examples:
    - “Denied for Global/Unbundled Procedure”
    - “Denied for Untimely Filing”
    - “Other”
- Ability to add notes and upload documents.
  - The form is dynamic; depending on the dropdown item selected, notes and/or documents may be required.



The image displays two screenshots of the Peach State Health Plan web portal interface, illustrating the 'Reconsider Claim' process. The top screenshot shows the 'Reconsider Claim' modal with the 'Reconsideration type' dropdown menu open, displaying options like 'Denied for a Global/Unbundled Procedure' and 'Denied for Untimely Filing'. A red arrow points to the dropdown. The bottom screenshot shows the same modal with the 'Reconsideration type' set to 'Denied for Untimely Filing'. The 'Notes' field is populated with placeholder text, and the 'Upload Documents' section is active, showing a 'Choose Files' button and an 'Uploaded files' list. A red arrow points to the 'Choose Files' button.

# Claim Reconsiderations (con't)



**Reconsider Claim**

Claim No. [REDACTED]

Reconsideration Type  
Other

Notes  
Brief Explanation *Required*  
Test

245 Characters Left

Upload Documents  
Choose Files

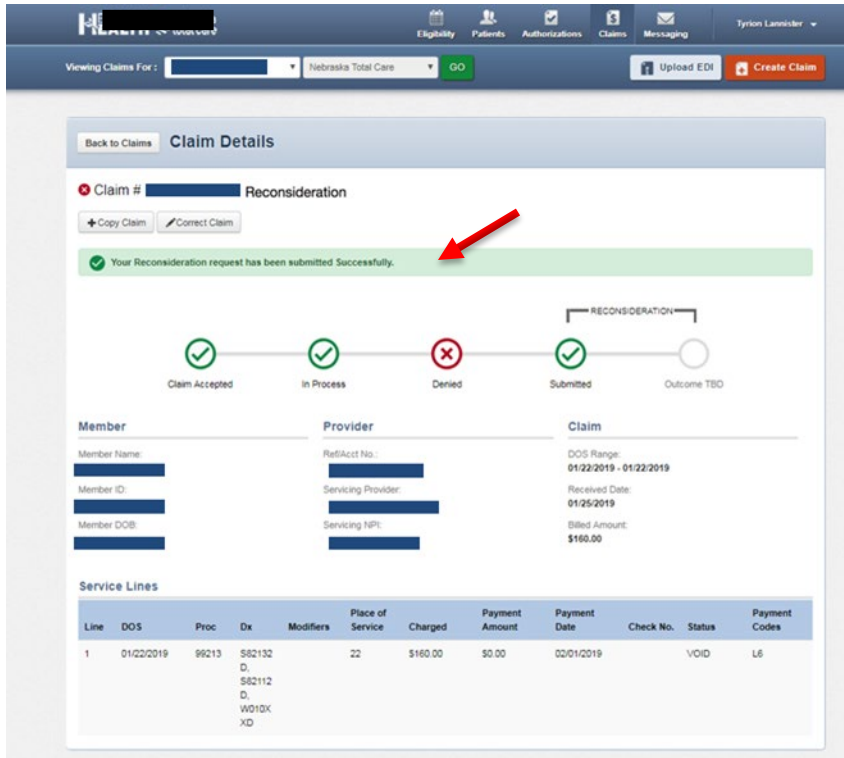
Uploaded Files  
SampleFile1.jpeg SampleFile2.pdf

Email Updates  
 Check here to receive email status updates for this reconsideration.  
Note: Please upload files less than 5MB each and supported file formats are PDF, TIFF, TIF, JPEG, JPG

Cancel Submit

- Providers may opt in or out of email updates using the **Email Updates checkbox**
- Email Updates are triggered when Reconsideration Letters are posted
- Provider's email address populates from portal
  - Not editable on form
- Emails will only generate for submitted cases
- Select **Submit** after populating all required fields.

# Claim Reconsiderations (con't)

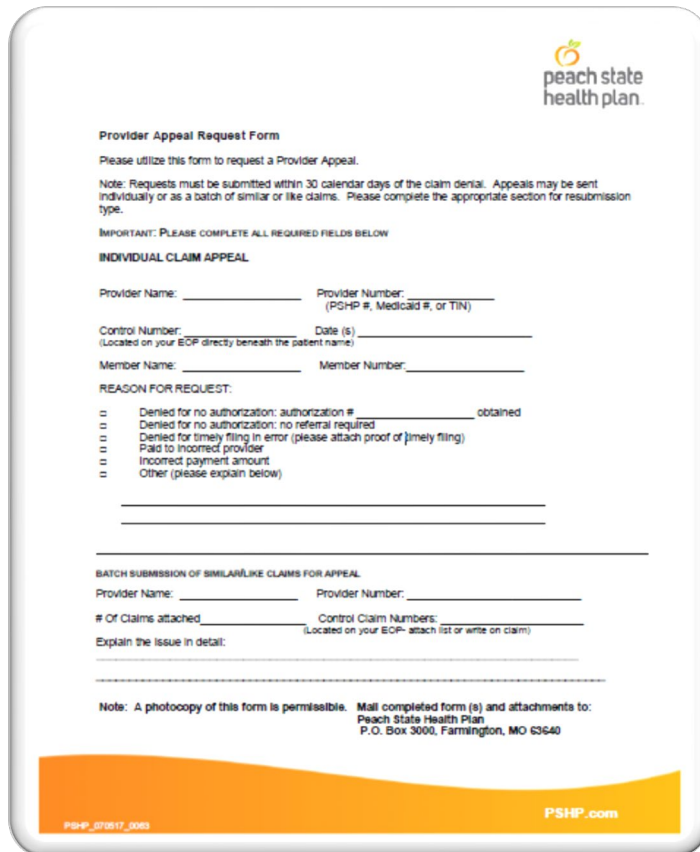


The screenshot shows the 'Claim Details' page for a 'Reconsideration' claim. A green banner at the top of the main content area displays the message: 'Your Reconsideration request has been submitted Successfully.' A red arrow points to this banner. Below the banner is a progress tracker with five stages: 'Claim Accepted' (green checkmark), 'In Process' (green checkmark), 'Denied' (red X), 'Submitted' (green checkmark), and 'Outcome TBD' (grey circle). A bracket labeled 'RECONSIDERATION' spans from the 'Submitted' stage to the 'Outcome TBD' stage. Below the tracker are sections for 'Member', 'Provider', and 'Claim' information, followed by a 'Service Lines' table.

Line	DOS	Proc	Dx	Modifiers	Place of Service	Charged	Payment Amount	Payment Date	Check No.	Status	Payment Codes
1	01/22/2019	99213	S82132 D, S82112 D, W010X XD		22	\$160.00	\$0.00	02/01/2019		VOID	L6

- Upon submission, a success banner will be displayed.
- The tracker graphic will be updated to reflect that a reconsideration is in progress.
- **Reconsider Claim** button is no longer available.
- Claim status is updated.

# Claim Appeals



The image shows a 'Provider Appeal Request Form' from Peach State Health Plan. The form includes the following sections and fields:

- Provider Appeal Request Form**  
Please utilize this form to request a Provider Appeal.  
Note: Requests must be submitted within 30 calendar days of the claim denial. Appeals may be sent individually or as a batch of similar or like claims. Please complete the appropriate section for resubmission type.  
IMPORTANT: PLEASE COMPLETE ALL REQUIRED FIELDS BELOW
- INDIVIDUAL CLAIM APPEAL**  
Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Provider Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PGHP #, Medicaid #, or TIN)  
Control Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date (s) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Located on your EOP directly beneath the patient name)  
Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- REASON FOR REQUEST:**  
 Denied for no authorization; authorization # \_\_\_\_\_ obtained  
 Denied for no authorization; no referral required  
 Denied for timely filing in error (please attach proof of [timely filing])  
 Paid to incorrect provider  
 Incorrect payment amount  
 Other (please explain below)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- BATCH SUBMISSION OF SIMILAR/LIKE CLAIMS FOR APPEAL**  
Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Provider Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
# Of Claims attached \_\_\_\_\_ Control Claim Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Located on your EOP- attach list or write on claim)  
Explain the Issue in detail:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Note:** A photocopy of this form is permissible. Mail completed form (s) and attachments to:  
Peach State Health Plan  
P.O. Box 3000, Farmington, MO 63640
- PSHP.com
- PSHP\_072017\_0003

- A **claim appeal** is a formal request for a review of an adverse claim reconsideration determination.
- A claim appeal must be filled within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the claim denial (EOP).
- A **Provider Appeal Request Form** must be submitted to request a claim appeal.
- A claim appeal acknowledgement letter will be sent within ten (10) business days of the claim appeal.



## Claim Appeals (con't)

- If the initial adverse claim determination is upheld, the provider will be notified of the decision in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the receipt of the claim.
- If the decision is overturned, the provider will be notified through a newly issued Explanation of Payment (EOP).
- Claim Appeal requests should be submitted to:

Peach State Health Plan  
PO Box 3000  
Farmington, MO 63640-3812

# Administrative Law Hearing

- An **Administrative Law Hearing (ALH)** is the final step in the claim appeal process.
- A provider must exhaust all available appeal and provider compliant options before submitting a request for an Administrative Law Hearing.
- Administrative Law Hearing requests must be submitted within fifteen (15) business days of the claim appeal being upheld.
- All request for an Administrative Law Hearing must be submitted in writing to:

Peach State Health Plan  
Attn: Administrative Law Hearing Coordinator  
1100 Circle 75 Parkway, Suite 1100  
Atlanta, GA 30339

# Claim Dispute Roadmap



Adverse claim determination received.

1

Claim Reconsideration request submitted within 3 months from EOP with claim denial.

2

Claim Appeal submitted within 30 calendar days from claim denial or Claim Reconsideration determination.

3

Administration Law Hearing request submitted within 15 business days from Claim Appeal determination.

4

Claim review process exhausted.

5

# Payment Integrity Vendors

Service	Specialty Company/Vendor
Credit Balances	AIM
Claim Overpayment	Connolly Health
Claim Overpayment , Third Party Liability	HMS
DRG Validation of inpatient claims	Cotiviti (iCRS)
Credit balance, Claim overpayment	Optum



# Contact Information

## Peach State Health Plan

**Provider Services: 1-866-874-0633**

**Website: [www.pshpgeorgia.com](http://www.pshpgeorgia.com)**

**Provider Portal: <https://provider.pshpgeorgia.com>**