



# BILLING & ELIGIBILITY SCREENING

Office of Immunization | Childhood Vaccine Program March 27, 2025

# Topics Covered







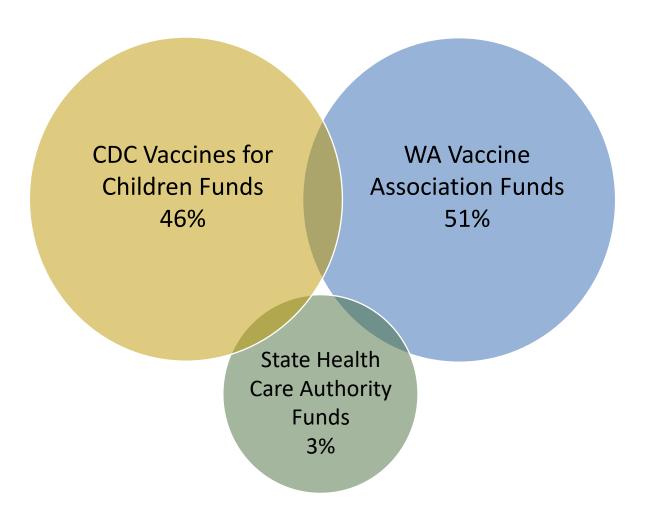
# Training Objectives

### Participants will:

- Learn how patient eligibility status applies to billing guidelines
- Learn about the Washington Vaccine Association (WVA)
- Learn how to bill the WVA Dosage-Based Assessment (DBA) 3.
- Learn how to access materials and seek assistance from the WA DOH and the WVA

# Eligibility & Vaccine Funding

- WA has a universal childhood vaccine program that is funded through a combination of federal, state, and commercial insurance dollars.
- All children under age 19 are eligible to receive vaccines supplied through the Childhood Vaccine Program.



## Patient Eligibility Screening Requirements

- Sites enrolled in the Childhood Vaccine Program must screen and document patient eligibility status for every dose of publicly-supplied vaccine administered to patients under age 19.
- Accurately identifying the patient's eligibility status is the first step to ensuring that your site follows appropriate billing requirements for each patient.
  - Billing requirements differ depending on the patient's eligibility status.

# What is Patient Eligibility Screening?

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### Adult and Childhood Vaccine Programs



Adult Vaccine Program: waadultvaccines@doh.wa.gov Childhood Vaccine Program: wachildhoodvaccines@doh.wa.gov | (360) 236-2829

#### Eligibility for Publicly Funded Vaccines: A Guide for Providers

#### Eligibility Status and Codes for Children Under 19

The Childhood Vaccine Program is a universal vaccine purchase program financed by a combination of federal and state dollars. All children less than 19 years of age are eligible to receive vaccines through the program. To ensure the appropriate source of funding is used for purchasing vaccines, providers are required to screen and document each patient's eligibility status at every immunization visit. This document provides guidance on choosing the correct patient eligibility status, the related immunization information System (IIS) coding, and general billing guidelines for children and adults receiving publicly supplied vaccine.

Patient Eligibility Status	Eligible for Public Vaccine	IIS Eligibility Code & Description	IIS Funding Code & Description	Dosage-Based Assessment?	General Billing Guidelines
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Medicaid Child Child is less than 19 years old Enrolled in Medicaid or Medicaid Managed Care known as Apple Health* Managed care plans provided by: Community Health Plan of WA, Coordinated Care, Molina Healthcare of WA, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan, Wellpoint WA**	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	VVC VFC Eligible — Medicaid/Medicaid Managed Care	VXC51 Publicly funded vaccine stock – VFC	No	Bill according to Health Care Authority (HCA) and/or Managed Care Organization (MCO) guidelines (view current EPSDT billing guide) Reimbursement determined by HCA/MCO Contact HCA/MCO for billing questions
Uninsured Child Child is less than 19 years old Does not have health insurance Participates in a health sharing plan such as; OneShare, Liberty HealthShare, Medi-Share, Harmony, Samaritan, Zion, Unite	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	V03 VFC Eligible – Uninsured	VXC51 Publicly funded vaccine stock - VFC	No	Cannot bill for cost of vaccine     May issue only a single bill within 90 days for administration (admin) fee up to \$23.44 per vaccine dose     Cannot send unpaid admin fee to collections

Obtain patient demographic information (insurance, age, race)



Determine patient's eligibility status



record (EHR, billing/practice management system, IIS, paper)

## Patient Eligibility Status

All children under 19 are eligible to receive vaccines supplied through the WA State Childhood Vaccine Program



### **Federal Vaccines for Children Eligible**

- Under age 19
- Medicaid
- Uninsured
- Underinsured at FQHC/RHC only
- American Indian or Alaska Native



### **WA State Eligible**

- Under age 19
- Private insurance
- CHIP/CHP Insurance

### American Indian or Alaska Native Patients

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American Indian/Alaska Native Child     Child is less than 19 years old     As defined by the Indian Health     Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C.     1603-13)	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	V04 VFC Eligible – American Indian/ Alaska Native	VXC51 Publicly funded vaccine stock – VFC	No	Follow guidelines below based on the patient's insurance status     No DBA required for American Indian/Alaska Native children with private insurance

### **Uninsured & Underinsured Patients**

Uninsured Child     Child is less than 19 years old     Does not have health insurance	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine	V03 VFC Eligible – Uninsured	VXC51 Publicly funded	No	<ul> <li>Cannot bill for cost of vaccine</li> <li>May issue only a single bill within 90 days for administration (admin) fee</li> </ul>	
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Under-insured Child served at FQHC/RHC     Child is less than 19 years old     Has insurance but it does not cover vaccine & served at a Federally Qualified Health Center/Rural Health Center.     For non-FQHC/RHC sites, see Insured category.	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible only through FQHC/RHC	V05 VFC Eligible – Underinsured at FQHC/RHC	VXC51 Publicly funded vaccine stock - VFC	No	Cannot bill for cost of vaccine May issue only a single bill within 90 days for admin fee up to \$23.44 per vaccine dose Cannot send unpaid admin fee to collections	

## Uninsured & Underinsured Billing Requirements

### Providers cannot receive reimbursement for publicly-supplied vaccines

- For patients paying out of pocket for vaccine administration (uninsured, underinsured, deductibles, out-of-network), the vaccine administration fee cannot exceed \$23.44 per vaccine dose.
- May only issue a single bill within 90 days of service.
- Cannot send unpaid administration fees to collections.
- Cannot deny access to an established patient due to parent/guardian's inability to pay the vaccine administration fee.

### Medicaid & CHIP

Medicaid Child Child is less than 19 years old Enrolled in Medicaid or Medicaid Managed Care known as Apple Health*  Managed care plans provided by: Community Health Plan of WA, Coordinated Care, Molina Healthcare of WA, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan, Wellpoint WA**	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	VO2 VFC Eligible – Medicaid/Medicaid Managed Care	VXC51 Publicly funded vaccine stock – VFC	No	Bill according to Health Care Authority (HCA) and/or Managed Care Organization (MCO) guidelines (view current EPSDT billing guide) Reimbursement determined by HCA/MCO Contact HCA/MCO for billing questions
CHIP Child Child is less than 19 years old Enrolled in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or Washington State Child Health Insurance Program (CHP). About 3% of children enrolled in an Apple Health program.	Yes State (Non- VFC) vaccine eligible	V22 CVP Eligible – CHIP	VXC52 Publicly funded vaccine stock – Non- VFC	No	Bill according to Health Care     Authority (HCA) and/or Managed     Care Organization (MCO)     guidelines     Reimbursement determined by HCA/MCO     Contact HCA/MCO for billing questions

# Medicaid & CHIP Billing Guidelines

Bill according to the Washington **State Health Care Authority** guidelines for patients covered by Apple Health **Plans (Medicaid** and CHIP)

### How do I bill for free vaccines for clients age 18 and younger?

For vaccines that are available at no cost from the Department of Health (DOH) through the Childhood Vaccine Program and the federal Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program for children age 18 and younger, HCA pays only for the administrative cost of the vaccine and not for the vaccines themselves. These vaccines are identified in the Comments column of the Professional Administered Drug Fee Schedule as free from DOH.

### In a nonfacility setting

- Bill for the vaccine by reporting the procedure code for the vaccine given with modifier SL (e.g., CPT® 90707 SL). HCA pays an administrative fee for those vaccines that are free from DOH and are billed with modifier SL (e.g., CPT® 90707 SL). Additionally, bill the appropriate administration procedure code for the vaccine given (CPT® codes 90471-90474).
- For RSV (CPT® codes 90380 and 90381), bill administration CPT® code 96380 or 96381 and bill for the vaccine procedure code with modifier SL.
- For COVID-19 vaccines, bill administration CPT® code 90480 and bill for the vaccine procedure code with modifier SL.
- Administration CPT® codes 90460-90461 are not allowed with VFC vaccines. See How do I bill for stand-alone vaccine counseling? for vaccine counseling billing instructions.

### Private/Commercial Insurance

Patient Eligibility Status	Eligible for Public Vaccine	IIS Eligibility Code & Description	IIS Funding Code & Description	Dosage-Based Assessment?	General Billing Guidelines
Insured Child     Child is less than 19 years old     Has insurance that covers vaccine including private, commercial, employer self-funded, health benefit exchange plans, etc.     Has insurance that does not cover vaccine (i.e. underinsured) receiving care at a non-FQHC/RHC.	Yes State (Non- VFC) vaccine eligible	V25 (previously V10) CVP Eligible – Private Insurance	VXC52 Publicly funded vaccine stock – Non- VFC	Yes	Bill Dosage-Based Assessment per insurer and WVA guidance     Contact WVA for billing instructions (http://www.wavaccine.org)     Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee (including patients out of network & with high deductibles)

# REVIEW QUESTION

# The Importance of Clinic Billing Contacts



All enrolled clinics must have a billing contact listed in their provider agreement

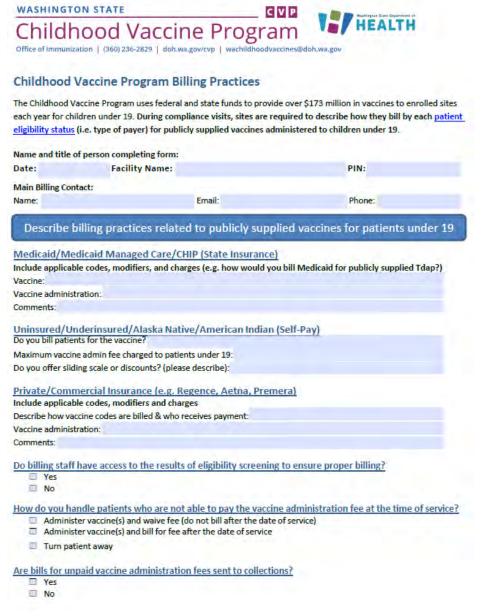


This should be someone who can answer childhood vaccine billing questions and make changes to resolve issues



Notify DOH at **WAChildhoodVaccines@doh.wa.gov** any time the billing contact needs to be updated

# Site Visit Billing Practices Questionnaire



### Tools and Resources

### **Washington State Department of Health**

- Patient Eligibility & Screening Overview
- WA DOH Eligibility Guide
- **NEW! CVP Billing Guide**

### Medicaid

- Medicaid Billing Guide (select EPSDT Guide & see Immunization section)
- Medicaid ProviderOne Guide

### Childhood Vaccine Program Training webpage



### Vaccine Blurbs E-Newsletter

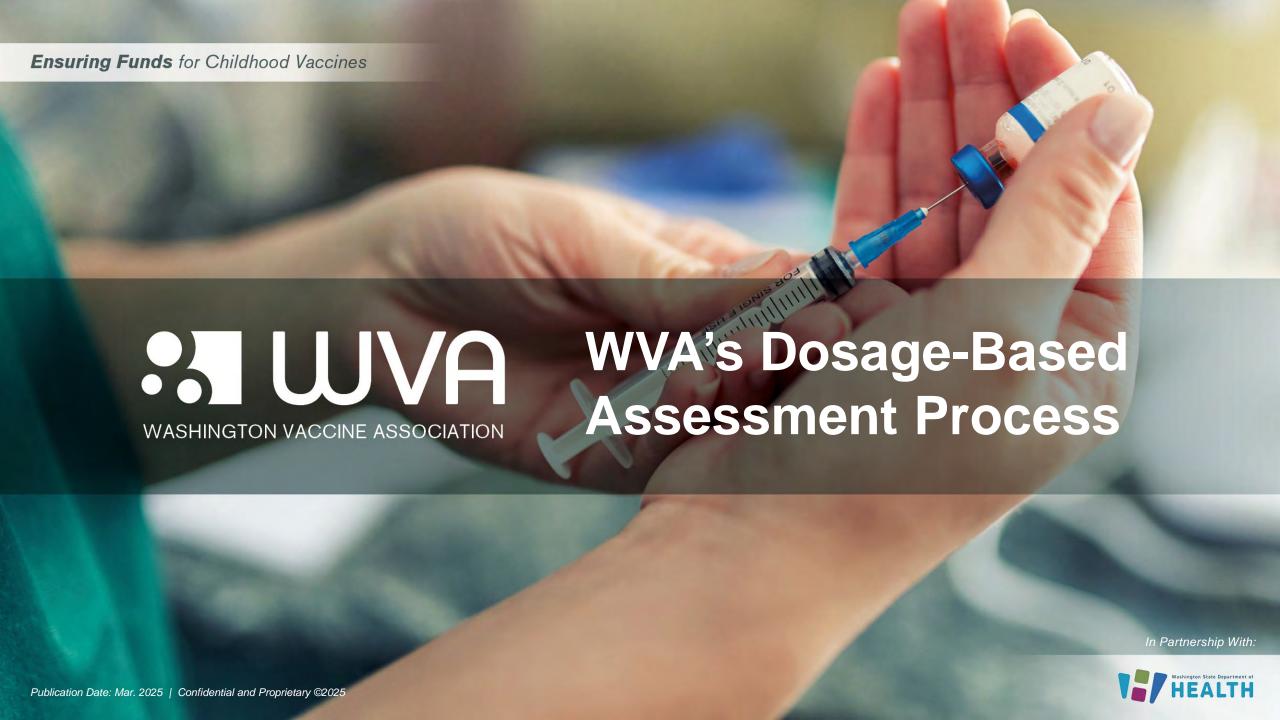
### Sign up for the Vaccine Blurbs

WAChildhoodVaccines@doh.wa.gov



#### Washington State Department of Health | February 26, 2025

- Nirsevimab Administration Ending March 31st
- Novavax Update
- Provider Agreement Renewal Begins March 1st
- · WA State Immunization Information System (WAIIS) forecast update has been delayed until the evening of February 26, 2025
- · U.S. Experiencing Most Intense Flu Season in at Least 15 Years
- Flu Vaccines Save Lives Many Resources are Available for Providers!
- "Let's Get Real" campaign highlights facts about childhood vaccines and share stories from confident parents who vaccinate their kids







# A Public/Private Partnership

The Washington Vaccine Association (WVA), a not-for-profit 501(c)(3), and the Washington State Department of Health (WA DOH) work together in a public/private partnership to support Washington's universal <u>Childhood Vaccine Program</u> (CVP).

The CVP supplies state-purchased vaccines that are recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) to enrolled providers for children under age 19. Health insurers and third-party administrators (TPAs) reimburse the WVA for vaccines administered to privately insured children. The WVA in turn transfers funds to the WA DOH for bulk vaccine purchases.

The WA DOH uses funding from the federal <u>Vaccine for Children Program</u> (VFC), state Medicaid, and WVA assessments to purchase vaccines at federal contract rates and distribute them to physicians, hospitals, and other providers at no cost to providers or patients through the CVP.







# WVA makes it possible for:

- » All children to have access to recommended vaccines.
- » Payers to participate in an efficient, cost-effective system to facilitate childhood vaccinations at no cost to their members.
- » Medical providers to have a blended vaccine stock versus the need to segregate publicly and privately-funded vaccine stocks.
- » Medical providers to avoid the burdens associated with purchasing vaccines on their own.



# **How it Works**



# Providers support the WVA by:

- » Enrolling in the WA DOH CVP and using state-supplied vaccine material.
- » Accurately submitting the Dosage-Based Assessment (DBA) to payers alongside administrative claims. This critical step allows physicians, clinics, hospitals, other providers, and their patients to receive vaccines for all children at no cost.
- » Ensuring providers and payers do not bill patients for any portion of the vaccine material, regardless of how the payer processes the submitted DBA.







# **Universal Purchase System Basics**

- » Providers play a key role in the program's viability via eligibility status reporting, billing, and documentation.
- » Providers do not pay for the vaccine material.
- » Patients do not pay for the vaccine material (see slide 27 for details).
- » Providers cannot receive payment for the vaccine material.
- » All provider types\* private practices, hospital-owned practices, FQHCs/RHCs, pharmacies, school districts, vising nurse associations, tribal clinics, hospitals must submit Dosage-Based Assessments (DBAs) when they use Childhood Vaccine Program (CVP) material for commercially insured patients under age 19.

\*Additional types of providers (e.g., direct care practices (DCPs) and local health jurisdictions (LHJs) are not currently, universally required to submit DBAs but this is being reviewed.







# **Dosage-Based Assessment Overview**

- » The Dosage-Based Assessment (DBA) process is required if:
  - The patient is commercially insured and under age 19.
  - The vaccine is listed on the WVA <u>Vaccine Assessment Grid</u>.
  - The provider obtained the vaccine material from the Washington Department of Health's <u>Childhood Vaccine Program</u> and not privately purchased by the provider.
- » Providers are required to correctly identify and document private/commercially insured patients to ensure the DBA is generated.
- » The WVA <u>Vaccine Assessment Grid</u> amount must be billed on the DBA for the vaccine material codes; providers need to ensure that this does not cause patient balances or build up of accounts receivable in provider's billing system.
- » The WVA can only exchange funds with payers, not providers or patients.
- » The WVA's Tax ID Number (TIN) 27-2251833 must be the "pay to" on the DBA and not the rendering provider's TIN; the provider does not get reimbursed for the vaccine material on a DBA.





# No Patient Responsibility for DBAs

- » Technically, the Dosage-Based Assessment (DBA) is not a health insurance claim; it is an assessment (fee) that is assessed from the commercial insurance carriers to generate funds to allow the WA DOH to purchase vaccines for provider offices.
- » Irrespective of the patient's commercial insurance benefits, the patient has no cost-sharing responsibility for vaccines under the WVA DBA process.
- » There are no co-pays, co-insurances, or deductibles applied to DBAs for the vaccine material on the WVA Vaccine Grid and the provider office should not collect any.
- » Providers may collect office visit/administration fees according to the commercial insurance benefit and apply co-pays, co-insurances, or deductible posting to charges payable to them. If coverage is lacking and the patient is converted to under-insured status, CDC's administration fee caps apply.

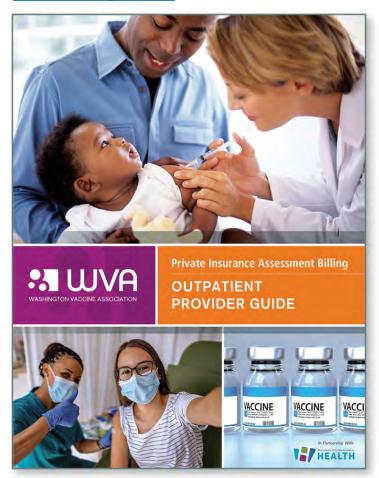
# Billing System Setup

- » Your Electronic Health Record (EHR) and billing system play a critical role in the DBA process.
- » The next few slides provide an overview of the billing process and include:
  - An overview of the key documents that support the WVA billing process
  - How to identify if a DBA is required while adhering to the WA DOH's eligibility reporting requirements
  - The difference between an automatic split claim and a combination claim
  - Sample CMS-1500 and 837 submission formats

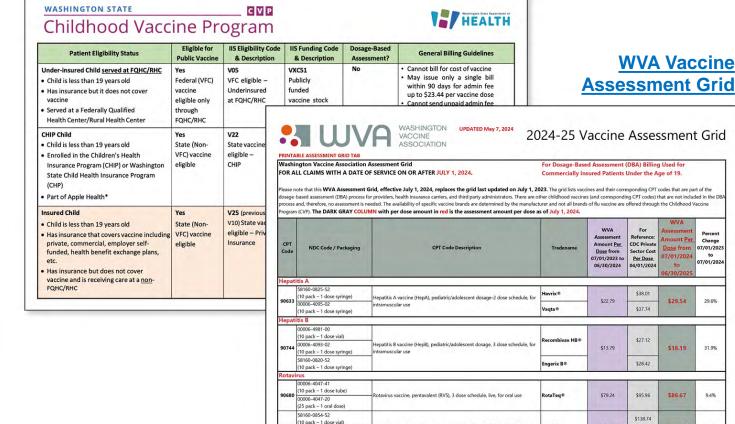


# **Key Documents to Support WVA Billing**

### **WVA Billing Guide**



### **WA DOH Eligibility Grid**



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# Is a DBA Required?

Only those vaccines listed on the WVA's <u>Vaccine Assessment Grid</u> require a DBA to be submitted for children under age 19 who are commercially insured.

# YES!

- ✓ Child is less than
  19 years old
- Child is commercially insured (V25)
- ✓ Vaccine is on the WVA's Vaccine Assessment Grid

# NO

- American Indian/Alaska Native Child (V04)\*
- O Uninsured Child (V03)
- O Under-insured Child served at FQHC/RHC (V05)
- CHIP Child (V22)

\*If a member of a Tribal health plan is not a Tribal member and they have commercial insurance coverage, a DBA is required.

The DOH Eligibility Grid provides the information you will need to determine the correct eligibility status. It can be found here.

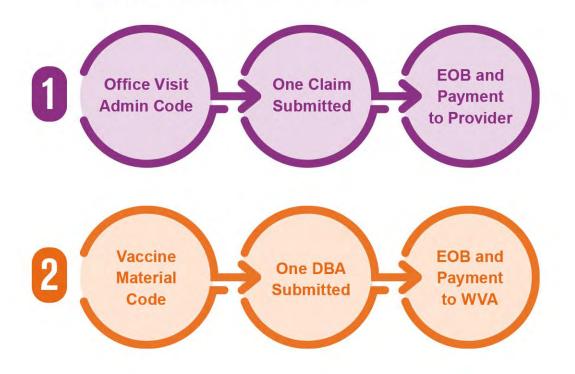
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CHIP Child  Child is less than 19 years old  Enrolled in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or Washington State Child Health Insurance Program (CHP)  Part of Apple Health*	Yes	V22	VXC52
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Insured Child  Child is less than 19 years old  Has insurance that covers vaccine including private, commercial, employer self-funded, health benefit exchange plans, etc.  Has insurance but does not cover vaccine and is receiving care at a non-FQHC/RHC	Yes State (Non- VFC) vaccine eligible	V25 (previously V10) State vaccine eligible – Private Insurance	VXC52 Publicly funded vaccine stock - Non- VFC

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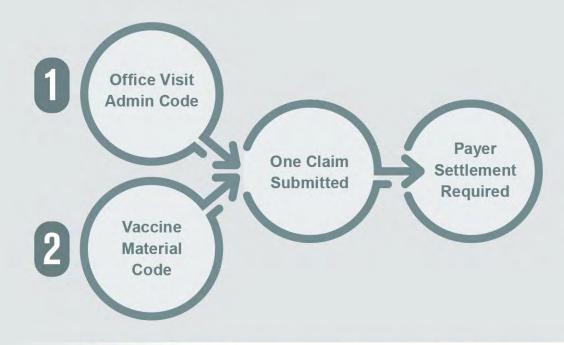
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### **AUTOMATIC SPLIT CLAIM**



### NOT RECOMMENDED

### **COMBINATION CLAIM**



» Clinics should move to Automatic Split-Claim



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(i) certify that the statements on the reverse apply to this bill and are made a part thereof.)  Address (part delication)	yers compare this to 24b pos) Code			K00000X		

# 837 DBA Submissions Preferred

### STEP 1

# Complete the DBA electronically (837 Professional)

#### This includes:

- 1. Billing Provider Federal Tax ID Number
- 2. Billing Provider Information
- 3. Patient Account Number, Claim Notes and Provider Signature
- 4. Rendering Provider Name
- 5. Service Facility & Location NPI
- 6. Service Line and Date of Service
- 7. Procedures, Services and Supplies
- 8. Line Item Charge (\$) Amount
- 9. Vaccine Material Identification

### STEP 2

#### Submit electronically to payer

Submit the DBA to the payer (health insurers and TPAs) via your electronic claims clearinghouse — NOT to WVA.

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X12N 837, Version 5010A1 Claim - Field Description	Loop	Segment/ Element	Qualifier	Qualifier Description	Data for WVA DBA Process	CMS-1500 Box Crosswalk
Billing Provider						
Federal Tax ID Number (TIN)	2010AA	REF01	E1	For EIN		None
TIN	2010AA	REF02			27-2251833	Box 25
Billing Provider Information	2010AA	NM101	85	Billing Provider		None
Billing Provider Entity Type	2010AA	NM102	2	Organization		None
Billing Organizational Name	2010AA	NM103		- Congarination of	Washington Vaccine Association	Box 33
Identification Code Type	2010AA	NM108	XX	NPI	Control of the contro	None
National Provider Identifier (NPI)	2010AA	NM109			1699092718	Box 33a
Billing Provider Taxonomy Identification Qualifier Code	2000A 2000A	PRV01 PRV02	PXC	Billing Taxonomy		None None
Identification Code Type	2000A	PRV03	FAC	Taxonony	251K00000X	Box 33h
Billing Provider Address	2010AA	N3			Leave Blank	None
Billing Provider Address - Line 1	2010AA	N301			1700 Seventh Ave	Box 33
Billing Provider Address - Line 2	2010AA	N302			Suite 1810	Box 33
Billing Provider City	2010AA	N401			Seattle	Box 33
Billing Provider State Billing Provider ZIP Code	2010AA 2010AA	N402 N403			WA 981011397	Box 33 Box 33
Billing Provider Contact	2000A	PER01	IC	Information Contact	301011331	None
Identification Code Type	2000A	PER03	TE	Telephone Number		None
Billing Provider Telephone Number	2000A	PER04			Service Provider's Billing Office/ Contact Telephone Number	Box 33
Pay-To Provider Name	2010AB	NM101	87	Pay-To Provider	Washington Vaccine Association	Nana
Pay-To Entity Type	2010AB	NM101	2	Organization	Transmyton vaccine Association	None None
Pay-To Address - Line 1	2010AB	N301			PO Box 94002	None
Pay-To City	2010AB	N401			Seattle	None
Pay-To State	2010AB	N402			WA	None
Pay-To ZIP Code	2010AB	N403			981249402	None
Patient Account Number	2300	CLM01				Box 26
Total Charge	2300	CLM02			Total Charge Amount	Box 28
	2300	CLM05-1	11	Office		Box 24B
Provider Signature Indicator	2300	CLM06	Υ	Yes		Box 31
Note Reference Code	2300	NTE NTE01	ADD	Indicates additional information for claim		None Box 19
Note Text	2300	NTE02			Enter any free text notes about the claim	Box 19
	2310B	NM1				
Rendering Provider Name Identification Code Type	2310B 2310B	NM101	82	Rendering Provider		None None
Identification Code Type	2310B	NM102	1	Individual		None
Identification Code Type	2310B	NM108	XX	NPI		None
Identification Code Type	2310B	NM109		-	Rendering Provider's NPI #	Box 24J
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Service Facility Location Information Service Facility Identifier	2310C	NM101	77	Service Location		None
			FA	Facility	Use Office Address of Service Facility	None
Service Facility Type	2310C	NM102	2	Non-Person Entity		None
Service Facility Name	2310C	NM103				Box 32
Service Line, Service Date(s)	2400	DTP01	472	Date of Service		None
	7.55	-		Range of Dates of		1
Service From - To Dates	2400	DTP02	RD8	Service		None
Format as: CCYYMMDD-CCYYMMDD	2400	DTP03				Box 24A
Procedures, Services, Supplies	2400	SV1			1	None
Product/Service ID	2400	SV101-1	HC	Standard CPT Code		None
Procedure-CPT/HCPCS Code	2400	SV101-2				Box 24D
Line Item \$ Charge Amount	2400	SV102				Box 24F
Drug Identification	2410	LIN				None
The second second	2410	LIN02	N4	Must be N4 (No description given)		Box 24 Shaded area for service i
			144	description given)		Box 24 Shaded
National Drug Code NDC #	2410	LIN03			11-digit NDC #	area for service li
Drug Quantity	2410	CTP				None
Drug Unit Price	2410	СТРОЗ			Unit price, based upon the unit of measure as defined by the NDC.	Box 24 Shaded area for service I
National Drug Unit Count/Quantity	2410	CTP04			Dispensing quantity, based upon the unit of measure as defined by the NDC.	Box 24 Shaded area for service ii
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#### **IMPORTANT BILLING REMINDERS**

\* Do NOT submit to WVA. Submit to Payer.

#### \* First time electronic filers:

The first time you use the electronic DBA process, please notify your claim clearinghouse or electronic medical records vendor that you intend to submit electronically using the DBA process with WVA's name, Tax ID and NPI.

### \* Important Numbers:

WVA Tax Identification Number (TIN): 27-2251833

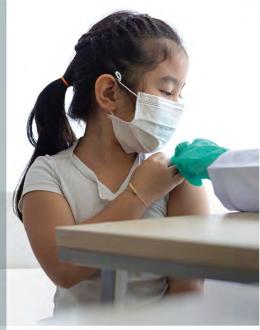
WVA National Provider Identifier (NPI): 1699092718

WVA Billing Taxonomy Number: 251K00000X

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# **Inpatient Hospital DBAs**

» Hospitals receiving state supply vaccine for patients under 19 will be required to submit DBAs no later than July 1, 2024

» Hospital place of service codes include:

#### \*Place of Service (POS) Codes

19Off Campus-Outpatient Hospital	22On Campus-Outpatient Hospita
20Urgent Care Facility	23Emergency Room – Hospital
21Inpatient Hospital	25Birthing Center

» A billing guide specific to hospitals can be found on the WVA website: Inpatient
Hospital Assessment Requirements
Washington Vaccine Association
(wavaccine.org)

» Hospitals with questions should email compliance@wavaccine.org

#### → Inpatient Hospital Assessment Billing Guidance



### **0&A**

#### Q. What is this guidance intended to do?

A. This guidance was developed by a workgroup comprised of hospitals, payers, WA Department of Health (DOH) staff, and Washington Vaccine Association (WVA) staff. It is intended to assist hospitals, and the payers they work with, to ensure their respective billing and adjudication systems can support the Dosage-Based Assessment (DBA) process, which supports our state's universal purchase of pediatric vaccines.

### Q. What is the Washington Vaccine Association (WVA)?

A. The WVA is a statutorily created 501(c)(3) nonprofit, distinct from the WA DOH, established by the Washington Legislature to fund childhood vaccines for commercially insured children under the age of 19. The funding collected by the WVA through the DBA mechanism is leveraged with federal funding to ensure that the WA DOH's universal Childhood Vaccine Program (CVP) can purchase vaccines for all children, regardless of insurance status.

#### Q. What is the Dosage-Based Assessment?

A. The DBA is a medical claim-like submission (837 or CMS-1500 format) from providers to commercial insurance carriers and third-party administrators (Payers) that is paid to the WVA to provide vaccine funding, and required by the State DOH's Provider Enrollment Agreement.

#### Q. Which inpatient hospital facilities are required to submit a DBA to the Payers on behalf of the WVA?

A. All facilities receiving state supplied vaccine from the <u>WA DOH Childhood Vaccine Program (CVP)</u> are required to submit a DBA for privately insured pediatric patients.

Q. When must inpatient hospital facilities be compliant with DBA submission?

A. No later than July 1, 2024.



#### Q. Which vaccines require a DBA?

A. A DBA is required for all vaccines listed on the WVA <u>Vaccine Assessment Grid</u> given to a commercially insured patient under the age of 19.

#### Q. Are newborns required to be covered under the mother's insurance per the <u>Erin Act</u>?

A. Yes. The DBA is submitted the same as for other claims for newborn services.

#### Q. Are inpatient hospital facilities required to screen and document patient eligibility in the Immunization Information System (IIS) prior to submitting the DBA?

A. Yes. Refer to the WA DOH's <u>Eligibility for Publicly</u> <u>Funded Vaccines</u>: A <u>Guide for Providers</u> to learn how to properly screen patients and document the correct eligibility status prior to inpatient DBA submission.

#### Q. What place of service (POS) codes should be used when submitting the DBA?

A. The list of inpatient facility POS codes for the DBA include: 19 - Off Campus-Outpatient Hospital;

20 - Urgent Care Facility; 21 - Inpatient Hospital; 22 - On Campus-Outpatient Hospital; 23 - Emergency

Room-Hospital; 25 - Birthing Center.

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# Resources

- » Washington Vaccine Association
  - News & Notices
  - WVA Private Insurance Assessment Billing Provider Guide
  - WVA Inpatient Hospital Billing Guide
  - WVA Vaccine Assessment Grid
  - WVA Health Insurers & TPAs Compliance Guide

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