



## **Attention All Providers**

## Sterilization and Hysterectomy Claim Requirements

Effective immediately, all claims related to hysterectomies and sterilizations will pend to the Medical Review Unit regardless of the method of submission (electronic or hardcopy).

The primary surgeon's claim will continue to require hard-copy submission with a valid consent form and the primary surgeon is still expected to share copies of the completed consent forms to facilitate ancillary provider billing for sterilization or hysterectomy services. Ancillary providers include the assistant surgeon, anesthesiologist, hospital, and/or ambulatory surgical center.

If an ancillary provider submits a claim for sterilization or hysterectomy services without the appropriate consent form, the claim will be paid only if the primary surgeon's claim has been approved.

The ancillary provider's claim may be held for up to 30 days pending review of the primary surgeon's claim. If the primary surgeon's claim has not been approved during this timeframe, Medical Review will deny the ancillary provider's claim. If the claim is denied, ancillary providers may resubmit after allowing additional time for the primary surgeon's claim to be paid or submit the claim hard-copy with the appropriate consent form.

Questions regarding this message and fee for service claims are to be directed to Gainwell Technologies Provider Relations at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040.

Questions regarding managed care claims are to be directed to the appropriate Managed Care Organization.