

# AAHAM

## 2026 Fall



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# P3 Health and Medicare Advantage

## TRANSITIONS TIMELINE

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Preauthorizations           | May 1, 2026  |
| Preauth Appeals             | Oct. 1, 2026 |
| P3 Availity Provider Portal | Jan. 1, 2027 |
| Claims Processing           | Jan. 1, 2027 |

## QUESTIONS? CONTACT P3 Health



UM: 531-242-5930  
Appeals: 888-488-9850  
Claims 1/1/27: 800-635-0579



UM: [umanagement@p3hp.org](mailto:umanagement@p3hp.org)

# CMS Rate Letters

What critical access hospitals need to know



## Who?

CAH providers



## What?

CMS Rate Letter



## When?

60 days from being released by MAC



## How?

Submitted to BCBSNE via the PAI tool

# Availity Provider Portal

What stays the same, what arrives at go live, and what comes next

## WHAT STAYS THE SAME

- Eligibility and benefits
- Claim status
- Authorization resources
- Inquiries and communications
- Provider documents
- Multi-payer: registered users will add NE

## NEW IN Q2 2027 (GO LIVE)

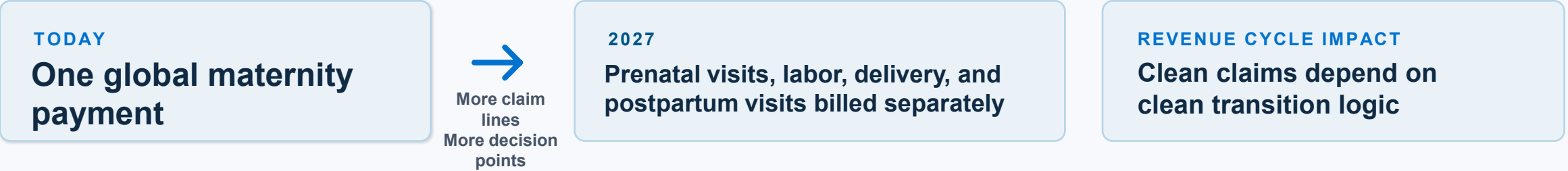
- Big win:
  - Submit claims
  - Submit attachments electronically (PDF)
- More claim status and denial detail
- More letters, better search
- Expanded secure messaging
- Direct links to auth portals

## COMING NEXT

- Expanded appeal visibility
- Appeal documents and attachments
- Authorization workflow enhancements

# Maternity unbundling changes the revenue cycle, not just the code set

Prepare now for a Jan. 1, 2027 shift from global maternity billing to service-level claims



## FOUR READINESS MOVES



### 1 Lock the transition playbook

- Define billing for pregnancies spanning 2026–2027
- Align payer-specific rules before claims hit



### 2 Rebuild charge capture

- Map prenatal, delivery and postpartum services
- Validate E&M, modifiers and preventive handling



### 3 Test the full claim path

- Run unit, regression and end-to-end scenarios
- Anticipate edits, duplicates, pends and appeals

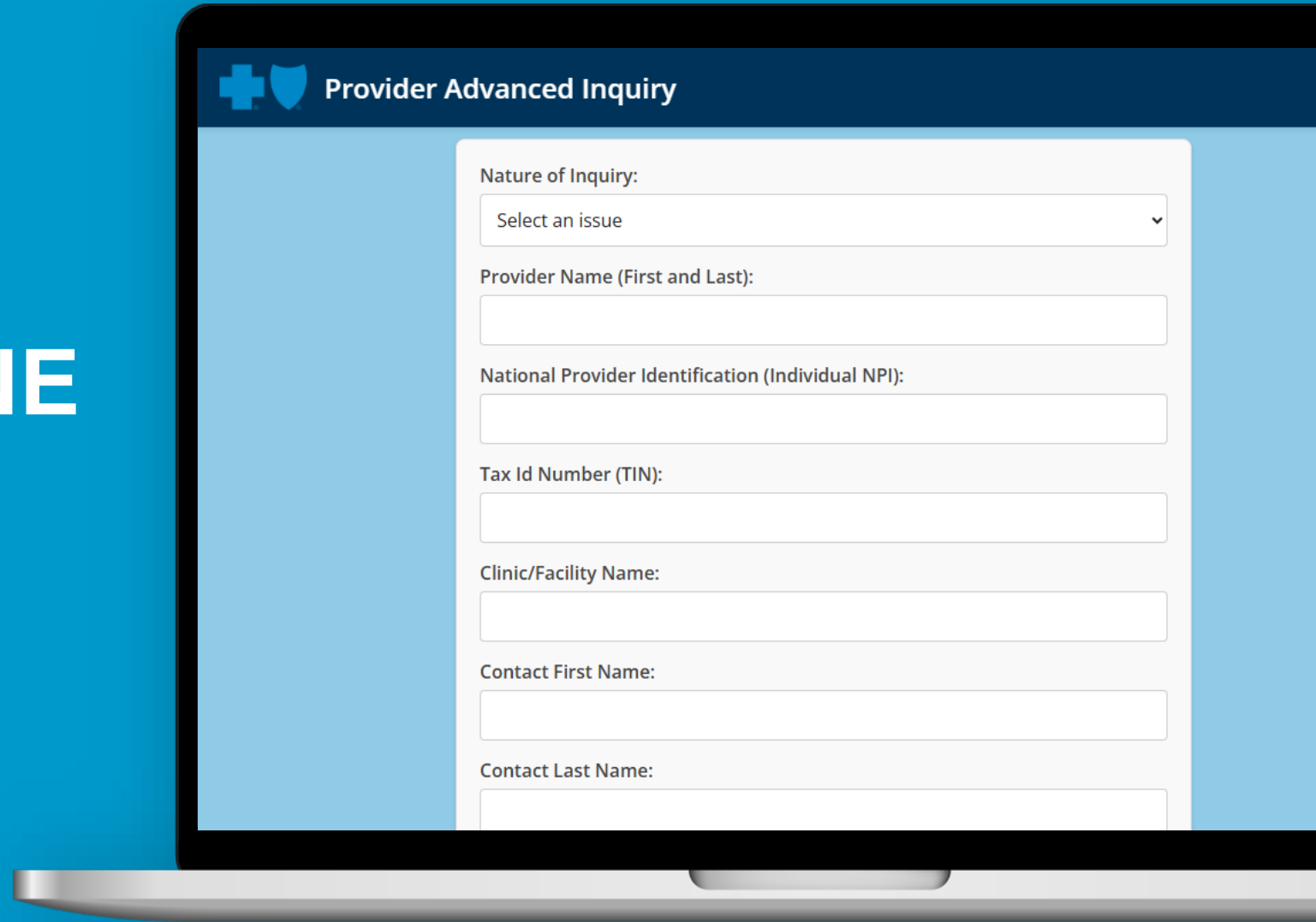


### 4 Watch the first signals

- Track denials, cash, visit patterns and outliers
- Create a fast feedback loop with payers and clinicians

**THE LEADERSHIP ASK** BCBSNE is meeting with NMA, NHA, ACOG and other organizations across the state. As decisions and process changes occur, please ensure your teams stay current by visiting [NebraskaBlue.com](https://www.NebraskaBlue.com) Alerts and Updates and reviewing our UPDATE newsletter.

# Contacting BCBSNE



The image shows a laptop screen with a web form titled "Provider Advanced Inquiry". The form is set against a light blue background and contains several input fields for provider information. The fields are arranged vertically and are currently empty, except for a dropdown menu for the "Nature of Inquiry" which shows "Select an issue".

**Provider Advanced Inquiry**

Nature of Inquiry:  
Select an issue ▼

Provider Name (First and Last):

National Provider Identification (Individual NPI):

Tax Id Number (TIN):

Clinic/Facility Name:

Contact First Name:

Contact Last Name:

# What's Happening?

## Provider UPDATE Newsletter – Extension of your contract

### **October – December**

Special edition MA-only newsletters, mid-month

### **Beginning in January**

MA moves to a quarterly newsletter

### **UPDATE commercial newsletters**

P&P updates, Commercial & FEP claim information, Clinical Authorization and Appeals updates, Payment Integrity notifications, dental updates and more

### **Policy to watch**

The EMR Conversion Policy will be announced



# Questions

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME

