

# 278N - 005010X216

# 278N Health Care Services Review Notification & Acknowledgment — Batch/Real-Time Inpatient Admission and Discharge Notification

This companion document is for informational purposes only to describe certain aspects and expectations regarding the transaction and is not a complete guide. The details contained in this document are supplemental and should be used in conjunction with the ASC X12 Standards for Electronic Data Interchange Technical Report Type 3 (TR3) as published by the Washington Publishing Company.

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NOTE: UniCare has designated Availity to operate and serve as UniCare's EDI Gateway (entry point) as a no-cost option to our Trading Partners.

# **Get Started With Availity**

Use the <u>Availity Welcome Application</u> to begin the process of connecting to the Availity EDI Gateway for your UniCare EDI transmissions. **Review page 5 in this document for key EDI requirements.** 

Also, the Availity Quick Start Guide will assist you with any EDI connection questions.

If you're a provider and wish to use a Clearinghouse or Billing company, please work with them to ensure connectivity.

### **Need Assistance?**

For questions about signing up, contact Availity Client Services 1-800-AVAILITY (1-800-282-4548) or visit <a href="www.availity.com">www.availity.com</a> Additional questions? Contact E-Solutions 800-470-9630 or email e-solutions.support@unicare.com



# **Section 1 - Basic Instructions**

# 1.1 Business Events Supported by the 278N Transaction Set

This companion document supports the following health care service review business events:

- Patient Admission at a facility
- Patient Discharge from a facility

This transaction is notification of inpatient admission & discharge only and does not complete the authorization process.

# 1.2 Business Rules & Limitations

Admissions and discharges should be transmitted to UniCare within 24 hours of the event completing to facilitate these use cases.

# 1.2.1 Data Element Support in the MSG Segment

Not all needed data elements are supported in the 278N. To facilitate sending these unsupported data elements, UniCare is encoding the data in the MSG segment.

- Each data element can be coded using the following format: <Qualifier>=<Value>.
- Multiple data elements can be sent using a semicolon (";") to separate the values.

Data Element	Qualifier	Use when:			
Diagnosis/ Patient Complaint	ICD	The patient diagnosis/complaint cannot be sent in a codified value in the Loop 2000E HI segment. Example: ICD=CHEST PAIN			
Discharge Disposition	DC	Sending a discharge Code	Sending a discharge notification, to include the discharge disposition. Allowed Values are:  Code  Description		
		ACFAC	Acute Facility		
		ACUTEIPREHAB	Acute Inpatient Rehab		
		CLNODC	Closed No Discharge Date Received		
		DCSD	Deceased		
		HOME	Home		
		HOSPICE	Hospice Facility		
		INTOPPRG	Intensive Outpatient (Psychiatric/Substance Abuse)		
		LTACFAC	·		
		OTHER Other			
		PSYSUBPHP Partial Hospitalization (Psychiatric/Substance Abuse)			
		REHABFAC Rehab Facility			
		RESTRTCNT	Residential Treatment Center		
		SNFFAC	Skilled Nursing Facility		
		INPT Still a patient			
		<b>UNKWN</b> Unknown			
		AMA	AMA-Left Against Medical Advice		
		14 Long Term Care Sub-Acute			
		15 Sub-Acute Skilled and LTAC			
		Example: DC=HOSP	ICE		



# 1.3 Facility and Provider Identification

Facilities and providers are identified by NPI, name, and address. For an admission notification, the information source of the transaction is the facility where the patient was admitted, so the admitting facility will be identified within Information Source Name Loop 2010A.

If a facility is identified in Loop 2010EA (Patient Event Provider Loop) with NM101=FA, that facility will be treated as the admitting facility.

## 1.4 Patient Identification

Patients are identified by a Health Care ID (HCID). This identification number generally appears on the patient's insurance ID card. The HCID assigned, however, applies both to the member and to qualified dependents, so it does not uniquely identify covered individuals. The following information must be sent to identify the patient:

- HCID (NM109)
- First name (NM104)
- Last name (NM103)
- Date of birth (DMG02)

HCID is always sent in Subscriber Name Loop 2010C.

If the patient is known to be the primary subscriber, then the patient's name and DOB are also sent in Subscriber Name Loop 2010C. If the patient is known to be a dependent of the subscriber, then patient name and DOB are sent in Dependent Name Loop 2010D. If it is unknown whether the patient is the subscriber or a dependent, then either loop may be used.

### 1.5 Encounter Identification

Encounter identifier assigned by the facility to uniquely identify the encounter should be sent in the patient's loop 2010C or 2010D in a REF segment with REF01 = "EJ" (Patient Account Number).

### 1.6 Compliant Codes

When entering codes in the 278N health care services request, follow the 278N Implementation Guide carefully. Use Compliant codes from current versions of the sources listed in Appendix C: External Code Sources. Availity will accept all Standard codes, however, acceptance of these codes or modifiers will not alter covered benefits or current payment policies, guidelines or processes.

# 1.7 X12 Compliance Checking, and Business Edits

Level 1 each transaction passes through edits to ensure that it is X12 compliant. If the X12 syntax or any other aspect of the 278N Health Care Services Notification transaction is not X12 compliant, the 999 Interchange Acknowledgment will report the Level 1 errors in AK segments and indicate that the entire transaction set has been rejected.

Level 2 Implementation Guide edits are enforced. If an error is encountered, Availity will return a Level 2 Status Report to the submitter listing the compliance errors and indicating the entire transaction set has been rejected.

NOTE: All required segments and data elements populated in the 278N Request Transaction will be present in the 278N Response Transaction.

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# 1.8 Contact for Signup and Support

To start submitting 278N notifications for contracted facilities, or for support, please contact Availity at www.availity.com.

# 1.9 Connectivity Information

All connectivity is provided through Availity, <a href="www.availity.com">www.availity.com</a>.

Connectivity options include both real-time (B2B) and batch (sftp/mailbox) submission options. Due to processing rules, acknowledgments/responses can be delayed and will be delivered to a sftp/mailbox.

# 1.10 Acknowledgments and/or Reports

Submitting a 278N transaction, you will receive only one of the following responses:

- TA1 (X12) when the ISA-IEA envelope cannot be processed;
- 999 when submitted 278N does not pass Level 2 validation; or
- 278N is returned in all other cases to indicate the request status.



# **Section 2 - Enveloping**

# 2.1 Envelope Contents

An interchange envelope contains zero or more functional groups and zero or more TA1 interchange acknowledgments. For purposes of messages sent in accordance with this Companion Guide, only Health Care Services Review Information functional groups should be sent within an interchange envelope.

In the case of real-time transactions, one would expect only one functional group containing exactly one 278 transaction set. For batch purposes, however, multiple functional groups may be sent, each one containing one or more 278 transactions. Thus, multiple notifications can be sent in a single interchange envelope in any of the following ways:

- A single functional group containing multiple 278 transaction sets
- Multiple functional groups, each one containing a single 278 transaction set
- Multiple functional groups, each one containing multiple 278 transaction sets

The following scenario is not supported by the X12 Implementation Guide:

• A single functional group containing a single 278 transaction set containing multiple notifications.

This Implementation Guide requires the use of a separate transaction set (ST-SE) for each patient event.

# 2.2 Retransmission and Duplication

Senders (ISA06) must generate unique interchange control numbers (ISA13) for each interchange. Identical interchange control numbers should only be used when the contents are identical. In the case of retransmission of an interchange, identical interchange control numbers will be assumed to have identical contents and may not be reread.

This is not true, however, for functional group control numbers (GS06) and transaction set control numbers, which are only assumed to be unique within their enclosing interchanges and functional groups respectively.

### 2.3 **GS-GE**

EDI transactions of a similar nature and destined for one trading partner may be gathered into a functional group, identified by a functional group header segment (GS) and a functional group trailer segment (GE). Each GS segment marks the beginning of a functional group. There can be many functional groups within an interchange envelope. A 278 notification file can only contain 278 notification transactions.

### 2.4 ST-SE

The beginning of each individual transaction is identified using a transaction set header segment (ST). The end of every transaction is marked by a transaction set trailer segment (SE). A 278 notification file can only contain 278 notification transactions.



# Section 3 - Charts for Situational Rules

Listed below are loops, segments, and data elements required for processing by UniCare per the situational rules in the 278N TR3.

		278	BN Health Care S	Services Review	Notification
TR3	Segment		Reference Designator(s)	Value	Definitions and Notes
D 04	ОТ		OT02	005040\040	005040046
P.61	ST	action Set	ST03 Implementation	005010X216	005010216 – Healthcare Eligibility, Coverage or Benefit
	Heade		Convention Reference		Coverage of Benefit
P.63	BHT	·1	BHT02	CN	CN – Completion Notification
1 .00	Beginn	ning of	Transaction Set		Or Completion Notification
	Hierard		Purpose Code		
	Transa				
Loop ID	2000A-	–Informati	on Source Level		
P.65	HL	Utilization	n Management Organization	on (UMO) Level - Refer to	TR3
	2010A-	<ul><li>Informat</li></ul>	ion Source Level Name		
P.67	NM1		NM101	FA	FA – Facility
	Inform		Entity Identifier Code		
	Source	e Name	NM102	2	2 – Non-person entity
			Entity Type Qualifier		
			NM103	(Information Source	
			Name Last or	Last or Org Name)	
			Organization Name	1575	10/ 11/ 15 11/1/ (6 415)
			NM108	XX	XX – National Provider Identifier (NPI)
			ID Code Qualifier	(1-5	NDI 40 Bultania
			NM109	(Information Source Identifier)	NPI 10 digit value
P.70	REF		Identification Code REF01	El	EI – Employer's Identification Number
P.70		ation	Reference ID Qualifier	E	EI – Employer's Identification Number
	Information Source Supplemental		REF02	(Information Source	Represents the facility tax
			Reference	Supplemental	identification number
	Identification		Identification	Identifier)	Identified for Harrison
P.73	N3	Information	on Source Address - Refe	,	
P.74	N4 Information Source City, State, ZIP Code - Refer to TR3				
P.75	PER		on Source Contact Informa		
P.78	PRV		on Source Provider Inform		
Loop ID	2000B -	- Informati	on Receiver Level		
P.80	HL Information Receiver Level - Refer to TR3				



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HL

278N Health Care Services Review Notification TR3 Segment Reference Value **Definitions and Notes** Designator(s) Loop ID 2010B—Information Receiver Name P.82 PR - Paver NM1 NM101 PR **Entity Identifier Code** Information Receiver NM102 2 2 - Non-Person Entity Name Entity Type Qualifier NM108 PI PI - Payer Identification **ID Code Qualifier** UNI Represents the Availity Payer Code for NM109 Information Receiver UniCare Identifier (refer to www.availity.com) Loop ID 2000C—Subscriber Level P.85 HL Subscriber Level Refer to TR3 Loop ID 2010C—Subscriber Name NM101 P.87 NM1 IL - Insured or Subscriber IL Subscriber **Entity Identifier Code** First and Last name of the subscriber Name NM103 (Subscriber Last exactly as they appear on the ID card. Name Last or Name) Organization Name Populated for finding match for NM104 (Subscriber First subscriber. Name First Name) NM108 MI - Member Identification Number **ID Code Qualifier** NM109 Submit the ID number exactly as it (Subscriber Primary Identification Code appears on the ID card, including any ID) alpha/numeric prefix, which is required when present. Populated for finding match for subscriber. P.90 **REF** REF01 EJ EJ - Patient Account Number Subscriber Reference ID Code Supplemental Qualifier Identifier REF02 Identified by provider (Subscriber Supplemental Reference Identification Identifier) Subscriber Address - Refer to TR3 - Situational P.92 **N3** P.93 **N4** Subscriber City, State, ZIP Code - Refer to TR3 - Situational P.95 **DMG** DMG02 (Subscriber Birth Populated for positive identification of Subscriber Date Time Period the subscriber. Date) F – Female Demographic DMG03 Information Gender Code M M - Male U – Unknown P.97 INS Subscriber Relationship - Refer to TR3 - Situational Loop ID 2000D—Dependent Level

Dependent Level - Refer to TR3 - Situational



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TR3	Segment	Reference Designator(s)	Value	Definitions and Notes		
Loop ID	Loop ID 2010D—Dependent Name					
P.101	NM1 Dependent	NM101 Entity Identifier Code	QC	QC – Patient		
	Name	NM103 Dependent Last Name	(Dependent Last Name)	Last Name Required		
		NM104 Dependent First Name	(Dependent First Name)	First Name Required		
P.103	REF Reference	REF01 Reference ID Qualifier	EJ	EJ – Patient Account Number		
	Identification	REF02 Patient Account	(Dependent Supplemental	Identified by provider		
		Number	Identifier)			
P.105	N3 Depe	ndent Address - Refer to T	R3 <b>– Situational</b>			
P.106	N4 Depe	ndent City, State, Zip code	- Refer to TR3 - Sit	uational		
		op 2010D is populated				
P.108	<b>DMG</b> Dependent	DMG01 Date Time Period	D8	D8 – Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD		
	Demographic Information	Format Qualifier  DMG02	(Dependent	Represents the dependent's date or birth		
	IIIIOIIIIatioii	Date Time Period	Birth Date)	Represents the dependent's date of bilting		
		DMG03	F	F – Female		
		Gender Code	M	M – Male		
			U	U – Unknown		
P.110	INS Dependent	INS17	(Birth Sequence	Required when the dependent is a child from		
	Dependent Relationship	Birth Sequence Number	Number)	a multiple birth.		
Loon ID	2000E—Patien					
P.112		nt Event Level				
P.114		nt Event Tracking Number				
P.116		nt Event Request Validation	n – DO NOT USE			
P.118	UM	UM01	AR	AR – Admission Review		
	Health Care	Service Type Code				
	Services	UM02	5	5 – Notification		
	Review	Certification Type Code				
	Information	UM04-1	(Facility Type	For ambulatory surgeries, UM04-1=24		
		Facility Code Value	Code)	regardless where the service is rendered. If unsure of type of facility, send "11" for acute		
				hospital, "21" for inpatient facility		
		UM04-2	A	A – Uniform Billing Claim Form Bill Type		
		Facility Code Qualifier		If unsure of type and sent "11" or "21" in UM04-1, send "A" in UM04-2.		
		Note: If both UM06 and C				
		UM06	03	03 – Emergency		
		Level of Service Code	E	E – Elective		
			U	U – Urgent		



278N Health Care Services Review Notification TR3 Segment Reference Value **Definitions and Notes** Designator(s) Loop ID 2000E—Patient Event Level (cont'd) BB - Authorization Number P.125 BB **REF** REF01 Reference ID Qualifier Previous Review REF02 (Previous Review Authorization number issued for admission. Authorization Reference Authorization Value must exactly match number issued. Number Identification Number) NT - Administrative Reference Number P.126 **REF** REF01 NT Administrative Reference ID Qualifier Reference REF02 (Administrative Represents the UM Case Number Number Reference Reference Identification Number) P.127 Accident Date **DTP** Last Menstrual Period Date P.128 **DTP** P.129 Estimated Date of Birth **DTP** P.130 **DTP** Onset of Current Symptoms or Illness Date P.131 **DTP** Event Date DTP01=435 Actual Admission Date must be submitted P.132 **DTP** Admission Date - Refer to TR3 Discharge Date - Refer to TR3 - Situational P.133 **DTP** Certification Issue Date P.134 **DTP** Certification Expiration Date P.135 **DTP** P.136 **DTP** Certification Effective Date P.137 Patient Diagnosis - Refer to TR3 - Recommended HI P.154 Health Care Services Delivery - Refer to TR3 - Situational **HSD** Note: If both UM06 and CL101 are submitted, only the value in CL101 will be used. P.159 CL1 **CL101** (Admission Type 1 - Emergency Institutional Admission Type Code) 2 - Urgent Code 3 - Elective Claim Code **CL102** (Admission Source Indicates the source of admission **Admission Source** Code) Code Ambulance Transport Information - Refer to TR3 - Situational P.160 CR1 Spinal Manipulations Service Information - Refer to TR3 - Situational P.162 CR2 Home Oxygen Therapy Information - Refer to TR3 - Situational P.166 CR5 Home Health Care Information - Refer to TR3 - Situational P.169 CR6 P.172 **PWK** Additional Patient Information - Refer to TR3 - Situational P.177 **MSG** MSG01 (Free Form Text) Free Form Message Message Text Text Recommended data element: See Section 1.2.1 Basic Instructions – "Data Elements supported in the MSG segment" for details on submitting data via the MSG segment. Maximum length is 264 characters



	278N Health Care Services Review Notification				
TR3	Segment		Reference	Value	Definitions and Notes
			Designator(s)		
			nt Event Provider Name		
		Repeat	of Loop Required, with N		
P.178	NM1		NM101	See TR3	Values represent type of provider
	Patient E	vent	Entity Identifier Code	4	4 - D
	Provider Name		NM102	1	1 – Person
	Ivallie		Entity Type Qualifier NM103	(Pat. Evt. Provider	2 – Non-Person Entity Facility Name /Provider Last Name
			Name Last	•	Facility Name /Provider Last Name
			NM104	Last or Org Name) (Pat. Evt. Provider	Provider First Name
			Name First	First Name)	Provider First Name
			NM108	XX	XX – National Provider Identifier (NPI)
			ID Code Qualifier	XX	700 Hadional Floride Identifier (1411)
			NM109	(Patient Event	NPI 10 digit value
			Identification Code	Provider Identifier)	
P. 182	REF		REF01	El	EI – Employer's Identification Number
	Patient E	vent	Reference ID Qualifier		
	Provider		REF02	(Pat. Evt. Provider	Provider Tax ID Number
	Supplemental		Reference Identification	Supplemental	
	Identifica			Identifier)	
P. 184	N3		nt Event Provider Address	. 7/0.0	
P. 185	N4		Patient Event Provider City, State, ZIP Code Patient Event Provider Contact Information		
P. 187	PER				
P. 190	AAA PRV		atient Event Provider Request Validation atient Event Provider Information		
P. 192			it Event Provider Information <mark>ional Patient Information</mark>		
P. 194	NM1		onal Patient Information		TD2 Cituational
P. 194 P. 197	N3		onal Patient Information Conal Patient Information C		
P. 197	N4				
P. 200	PER		Additional Patient Information City, State, Zip Code - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b> Additional Patient Information Contact Information - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>		
			t Event Transport Inform		on to The Gradional
P. 203	NM1	Patient Event Transport Information - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>		Situational	
P. 205	N3	Patient Event Transport Information   Neier to TR3 - Situational			
P. 206	N4	Patient Event Transport Location City/State/ZIP Code - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P. 208	AAA	Patient Even Transport Information Request Validation – DO NOT USE			
			t Event Other UMO Name		_
P.210	NM1		nt Event Other UMO Name		
P.212	REF	Other UMO Denial Reason - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P.215	DTP	Other	UMO Denial Date - Refer	to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>	



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TR3	Segment		Reference	Value	Definitions and Notes
			Designator(s)		
	2000F—S				
				be provided and the 2	2010F loop to identify the servicing provider,
			2010EA loop		
P.216	HL		ce Level – Refer to TR3		
P.218	TRN		ce Trace Number - Refer to		
P.220	AAA	Servic	e Request Validation – DO		
P.222	UM		UM01	HS	HS – Health Services Review
	Health Ca	are	Request Category		
,	Services		Code		5 N (C)
	Review		UM02	5	5 – Notification
D 000	Information		Certification Type Code		
	HCR		Care Services Review	V D. C to TDC	2 0'4
	REF		ous Review Authorization I		
	REF				Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>
P.232	DTP		ce Date - Refer to TR3 – S	ituationai	
P. 233	DTP		cation Issue Date		
P. 234	DTP DTP		cation Expiration Date		
P. 235 P.236	SV1		cation Effective Date	TDO Pasammandas	
P.230 P.242	SV2	Professional Service - Refer to TR3 – Recommended			
P.242 P.248	SV3	Institutional Service Line - Refer to TR3 – <b>Recommended</b> Dental Service - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
	T00	Tooth Information - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P. 256	HSD	Heath Care Services Delivery			
P. 261	PWK	Additional Service Information - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P.266	MSG	Message Text - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
	o ID 2010F—Service Provider Name				
P.267	NM1	Service Provider Name - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P.271	REF	Service Provider Name - Neter to TR3 – Situational  Service Provider Supplemental Identification - Refer to TR3 – Situational			
P.273	N3	Service Provider Address - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P.274	N4	Service Provider City, State, ZIP Code - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P.276	PER	Service Provider Contact Information - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P.279	AAA	Service Provider Request Validation – DO NOT USE			
P.281	PRV	Service Provider Information - Refer to TR3 – <b>Situational</b>			
P.283	SE	Trans	action Set Trailer - Refer t	o TR3 – <b>Situational</b>	



# Section 4 - Acknowledgments

# 4.1 Important Note about the 278N Acknowledgment

The 005010X216 278N Acknowledgment does not include a MSG segment. However, in order to return sufficient error detail, UniCare has added optional MSG segments in the following segments:

- 2010B Information Receiver Name
- 2010C Subscriber Name
- 2010D Dependent Name
- 2000E Event Level
- 2010E Event Provider Name
- 2000F Service Line

The MSG segment will always be the LAST segment in the loop.

MSG text	Description/Required Action		
Case cancelled, contact payer.	A case was found for the patient, however, it was closed prior		
	to the notification being received. Please contact the UM.		
Invalid/ Missing Place of Service	Please correct and resubmit.		
Invalid/ Missing Type of Service	Please correct and resubmit.		
Invalid relationship to subscriber.	Please correct and resubmit.		
Invalid Source of Admission	Please correct and resubmit.		
Missing Authorization Classification Code Set	Please correct and resubmit.		
Missing level of service	Please correct and resubmit.		
UM01 must equal AR	Only Admission Review notifications are accepted. Please		
	verify that transaction is being submitted to correct recipient.		
UM02 must equal N	Only Notifications are accepted. Please verify that transaction		
	is being submitted to correct recipient.		

# 4.2 Accept and Accept with Error (BHT02=53)

- When a transaction is accepted, a 278N notification acknowledgment will be sent with a BHT02=53.
- When 1 or more data elements are missing or require additional information, 1 or more AAA segments may be returned indicating error conditions.

# Medical Records Needed (AAA03=T5)

The most common error condition will be when an admission notification is sent in and no authorization is found on file. In this case, the following text will be sent in the MSG segment:

• Please submit clinical information within 48 hours. If we do not receive the information within 48 hours, we will make a decision based on the information we have with the most stringent applicable timeframe but will not exceed 72 hours of the original request.



# **4.3 Rejection (BHT02=44)**

When a transaction is rejected (BHT02=44), usually 1 or more AAA segment(s) is returned, as well as an optional MSG segment with additional context for the error encountered. In some instances, the transaction is being rejected not due to an error, but that UniCare is not responsible for utilization management decisions for the patient.

# **UniCare Not Responsible for Utilization Management Decisions**

In this case, an HCR segment will be returned with HCR01=CT and HCR03=0J. Please refer to the UMO information on the member card for the correct contact information.

# Loop 2010C, AAA03=95, Patient Not Eligible

The patient's membership does not support using the 278N for inpatient admission/discharge notification. Please refer to the UMO information on the member card for the correct contact information.

# Loop 2000E, AAA03=33, Input Error

There are a number of situations that can trigger an Input Error. Please refer to the MSG segment for additional details.





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