

# Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida

Companion Document for Availity<sup>®</sup> Health Information Network Users  
276/277 – Health Care Claim Status Request and Response  
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DATE OF REVISION	COMMENTS
07/12/2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Added NPI dates and instruction (B2)</li></ul>
04/21/2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Updated NPI information (B2)</li></ul>
11/17/2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cosmetic improvement</li></ul>

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	<b>GLOBAL INFORMATION</b>			
G1	<b>2000D Subscriber Demographic Information</b> Gender Code	DMG03	148	<b>F</b> – Female <b>M</b> - Male  BCBSF requires that only the gender codes listed above be submitted, all others will be rejected.
G2	<b>2000E Dependent Demographic Information</b> Gender Code	DMG03	97	<b>F</b> – Female <b>M</b> - Male  BCBSF requires that only the gender codes listed above be submitted, all others will be rejected.
G3	<b>Negative Values</b>			BCBSF will not process negative values (monetary amount fields) in any 276 files.  Submission of any negative values (monetary amount fields) in 276 will not be processed or forwarded.
G4	<b>Date fields</b>			All dates submitted on an incoming 276 claim transaction must be a valid calendar date (not future date) in the appropriate format based on the respective implementation guide qualifier.  Failure to do so will result in a claim/encounter not found message.

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G5	<b>All Segments</b>			<p>Only loops, segments, and data elements valid for the <b>276</b> HIPAA-AS implementation guide <b>004010X93A1</b> will be translated.</p> <p>Submitting data not valid based on the implementation guide may cause files to be rejected and not sent for processing.</p>
G6	<b>All Segments</b>		<b>Response:</b>	<p>An outbound 277 HIPAA compliant claim status is contingent upon BCBSF'S receipt of an original ANSI X12 4010A1 837 claim.</p> <p>Therefore, if the claim was not received via a HIPAA compliant 837 claim, all relevant data elements and values are not available for return on the 277 transaction.</p>

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	<b>BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS</b>			
B1				If delays are encountered in updates by our claims processing systems, this could result in delays in receiving a timely claim status response.
B2	<b>2100C Provider Name</b> Qualifier Provider Identifier	NM108 NM109	68 69	<p>All provider information loops must contain the NPI as of 5/17/08, if utilized</p> <p><b>As of 5/17/08</b>, the XX qualifier is required in NM108 followed by the NPI number in NM109.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> To receive a successful response when sending this transaction, the billing provider information should match either the Billing Provider ID, Loop 2010AA, REF segment or the Pay to Provider, Loop 2010AB, REF segment that was transmitted in the 837 transaction when the claim was submitted.</p>

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	<b>BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS</b>			
B3	<b>2100D Subscriber Name</b> Qualifier Subscriber Identifier	NM108 NM109	75 76	<p><b>NM108</b> <b>MI</b> - Member Identification Number BCBSF requires the submission of the above qualifier in this data element.</p> <p><b>NM109</b> BCBSF requires the submission of the ID number (#) exactly as it appears on the BCBS ID card <b>without any embedded spaces</b>, (this includes any out-of-state Blue Card ID's) including any applicable alpha prefix or suffix.</p> <p>Failure to submit the data as indicated above, may result in a claim/encounter not found message.</p>
B4	<b>2200D Claim Submitter Trace Number</b> Trace Number	TRN02	77  <b>Response:</b>	<p><b>TRN02</b> BCBSF requires the submission of the patient account number if available in this data element.</p> <p>BCBSF will return the number that was submitted in the 276 inquiry on the 277 response transaction.</p>
B5	<b>2200D Payer Claim Identification Number</b> Reference Identification Qualifier Payer Claim Control Number	REF01 REF02	78 79	<p>This segment should not be sent for a claim status inquiry if the provider has already received a statement on the claim, electronic or otherwise using the claim number.</p> <p>Submission of this segment when a statement has already been received may result in a mismatch condition.</p>

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B6	<b>2100E Dependent Name</b> Identification Code Qualifier Identification Code	NM108 NM109	99 100	<p><b>NM108</b> <b>MI</b>- Member Identification Number BCBSF requires the submission of the above qualifier in this data element.</p> <p><b>NM109</b> BCBSF requires the submission of the ID number (#) exactly as it appears on the BCBS ID card <b>without any embedded spaces</b>, (this includes any out-of-state Blue Card ID's) including any applicable alpha prefix or suffix.</p> <p>Failure to submit the data as indicated above, may result in a claim/encounter not found message.</p>
B7	<b>2200E Claim Submitter Trace Number</b> Trace Number	TRN02	101	<p><b>TRN02</b></p> <p>BCBSF requires the submission of the patient account number if available in this data element.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> BCBSF will return the number that was submitted in the 276 inquiry on the 277 response transaction.</p>
B8	<b>2200D Payer Claim Identification Number</b> Reference Identification Qualifier Payer Claim Control Number	REF01 REF02	103 103	<p>This segment should not be sent for a claim status inquiry if the provider has already received a statement on the claim, electronic or otherwise using the claim number.</p> <p>Submission of this segment when a statement has already been received may result in a mismatch condition.</p>



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B9	<b>2200D/E Claim Level Status Information</b> Check Number	STC09	<b>Response:</b>  163	BCBSF will not return a check number in this data element if multiple checks are issued for a paid claim. This is in compliance with the direction provided in the ANSI X12 4010A1 277 Implementation Guide.
B10			<b>Response:</b>	If the provider of services, has been assessed a lien, levy or garnishment all monies from claims payments will be withheld by BCBSF.  If an ANSI X12 276 requests the status of a claim that meets this condition, the 277 response will provide the payment information that you would have received without the garnishment being applied.