

## BROADCAST MESSAGES

**EFFECTIVE DATE (CCYYMMDD):** 2020-03-15      **TARGET TYPE:** AI  
**CANCEL DATE (CCYYMMDD):** 2020-03-31      **TARGET KEY:** MD  
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**BROADCAST TITLE (50 char):** COVID-19 COVERAGE FOR MSP NON-ELIGIBLE PATIENTS  
**BROADCAST MESSAGE (UP TO 5 PAGES, 12 LINES PER PAGE, 76 CHARACTERS PER LINE):**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, individuals present in BC who would otherwise not be eligible for coverage under MSP will be provided provincially insured health care coverage for services related to suspected or confirmed cases of infection with COVID-19. Services for unrelated conditions that are performed on MSP non-eligible patients will remain uninsured.

You as the provider will be responsible for determining whether your patient meets the criteria for this coverage for all services performed. Services related to COVID-19 for non-MSP eligible patients may be billed using the following generic Personal Health Number (PHN):

PHN: 9703740703  
First Name: A  
Surname: Coronavirus  
Date of Birth: 08/01/1988

This generic PHN should not be used for beneficiaries who are eligible for MSP coverage for the date of service but who either do not yet have a PHN or whose coverage is not currently active. Those eligible patients should first establish their MSP coverage so that services can be billed under their own PHN.

Please note that an MSP beneficiary can access provincially insured health care benefits using the PHN that is printed on an expired BC Services Card with another form of identification. Providers may also notice an increase of patients presenting to them with confirmation of coverage letters. These letters have been issued in response to access to care during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Questions regarding billing using this generic PHN can be directed to Claims Billing Support at Health Insurance BC at:

Vancouver: (604) 456-6950  
Elsewhere in BC: 1-866-456-6950

**Copy to BCMA: Yes**

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**IF TARGET TYPE IS**

**THEN TARGET KEY IS**

<b>PY-PAYEES</b> -----	<b>PAYEE NO.</b>
<b>PR- PRACTITIONER</b> -----	<b>PRACTITIONER NO.</b>
<b>SP-SPECIALTY</b> -----	<b>SPECIALTY CODE</b>
<b>AI-ASSOCIATION IDENTIFIER</b> -----	<b>MD – BC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION</b>
<b>A -ALL</b> -----	<b>LEAVE TARGET KEY BLANK</b>
<b>PS-PAYEE STATUS</b> -----	<b>C - VESTED INTEREST LAB</b>
	<b>F PRIMARY CARE</b>
	<b>H - HOSPITAL</b>
	<b>I - INACTIVE PAYEE</b>
	<b>L - LABORATORY</b>
	<b>M - ACTIVE PAYEE</b>
	<b>V - 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY- OUT OF PROVINCE</b>
	<b>Y – ALTERNATIVE PAYMENTS PROGRAM</b>