

Availity Essentials

High-level Overview for New Users







Humana and Availity

- Humana and Availity have partnered to offer providers an enhanced user experience on Availity Essentials.
- Use Availity Essentials for eligibility and benefits, claims, claim status, remittance viewer, and more!
- Availity Essentials is a multi-payer site where you can use a single user ID and password to work with Humana and other participating payers online.
- Availity Essentials is compliant with all HIPAA regulations, and there is no cost for providers to register or use any of the online tools. Don't forget! If your organization already has an Essentials account, you do not have to register again.



Interested in Getting Started?

Check out these training resources to help you get started in Availity Essentials.

- If your provider organization is not registered with Availity Essentials, start here. Get Started: Register with Availity Essentials - <u>Link</u>
- If your provider organization **is registered** with Availity Essentials, take the following steps:
 - 1. First, log into Availity Essentials. These courses require an Availity Essentials log in. <u>Link</u> to the login page.
 - 2. Second, each course has a unique link. Select the link provided to review the course.
 - Register a New Organization within Availity Essentials - Training Demo. Link to the course.
 - New Administrators on Availity Essentials Training Demo.

Link to the course.

- Get Onboarded to Availity Essentials Training Demo.
 Link to the course.
- **Tips for Navigating Availity Essentials Recorded Webinar.** <u>Link</u> to the course.



For more training, select **Help & Training | Get Trained**.

Pre-Claim Tools

Eligibility and Benefits

Use the Eligibility and Benefits Inquiry (E&B) tool to verify a patient's eligibility and benefits covered under the patient's member contract.

Help & Training Resources

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials.
 Select Patient Registration | Eligibility and Benefits Inquiry.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select
 Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help
 Center, select Eligibility and benefits.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type *eligibility and benefits inquiry* in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Authorization Requests

Use the tool to submit inpatient and outpatient requests.

- Inpatient authorizations are typically required before admitting a patient to a facility.
- Outpatient authorizations are typically required for outpatient treatments at a facility, such as for diagnostic, invasive, or surgical procedures; observations; and therapies.

Help & Training Resources

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials. Select Patient
 Registration | Authorizations and referrals.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training
 | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Authorizations and
 referrals | Authorization and Referrals Request.
- For training resources, select the Watch a demo link on the tool page. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type *authorization* in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the title of the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Note: Authorization Request is not available for Humana Long Term Care (LTSS).

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Authorization Inquiries

Use the Authorization/Referral Inquiry tool to view information about specific authorization and referral requests submitted by fax or through Availity Essentials.

Help & Training Resources

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials. Select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Authorizations & Referrals | Authorization/Referral Inquiry.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Authorizations and referrals | Authorization/Referrals Inquiry.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the **Watch a demo** link. Or in **Help & Training** | **Get Trained**, type *authorization* in the **Search** field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select **Enroll**.

Authorization Dashboard

Use the Authorization/Referral Dashboard tool to view information about authorization and referral requests submitted in Availity Essentials.

Help & Training Resources

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials.
 Select Patient Registration | Authorizations and referrals.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Authorizations and referrals | Authorization/Referral Dashboard.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type authorization in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Note: Authorization Dashboard is not available for Humana Long Term Care (LTSS).

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Patient Care Summary

This summary provides a consolidated view of a patient's health care services for a participating health plan across providers. In addition, patient care summaries allow a provider to export a patient's claims-based medication history to a CSV file, which the provider can then import into a medication administration system or electronic medical record.

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials. Select **Patient Registration | Patient Care Summary Inquiry**.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Patient care summaries.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the **Watch a demo** link. Or in **Help & Training** | **Get Trained**, type *patient care summary* in the **Search** field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select **Enroll**.

Claim Submission Tools

Claim Submission

Use Availity's Claims & Encounters tool to quickly submit real-time, electronic claims, encounters, and predeterminations. Availity claim forms are based on the paper-based CMS-1500 professional claim form and UB-04 institutional claim form.

Help & Training Resources

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials.
 Select Claims & Payments | Claims & Encounters.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select
 Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help
 Center, select Claims submission.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type *claim submission* in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Attachments

With Attachments, you can manage payer requests for supporting documentation and send unsolicited attachments. In addition, explore history with details about requests and documentation submitted by your organization.

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials.
 Select Claims & Payments | Attachments -New.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Attachments.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type attachments in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Claim Submission Tools

Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)

With Availity's EDI Clearinghouse service, you can submit real-time (B2B or API) or batch EDI transactions (837, 270, 276 and 278 transactions) to payers on our network. If you work with a practice management system, health information system, or other automated system that supports an EDI connection, you can securely upload batch files of X12 EDI transactions to the Availity EDI site where they are automatically picked up by Availity and submitted to the appropriate health plans.

Help & Training Resources

- To submit batches of claims via Availity Essentials, log into Availity Essentials. Select Claims & Payments | Send and Receive EDI Files.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select EDI Transactions.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the **Watch a demo** link. Or in **Help & Training** | **Get Trained**, type *electronic data interchange* in the **Search** field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select **Enroll**.

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Post-Service Tools

Claim Status

Use the Claim Status application to research claims your organization has filed that the payer has adjudicated. With the claim status application, you can search for claims using various search criteria. You can also view information about each claim, such as its status and claim lines. For some claims, you can also view remittance information associated with the claim.

Help & Training Resources

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials. Select **Claims & Payments | Claim Status**.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Claim status.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type claim status in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Remittance Viewer

Use the Remittance Viewer application to search for and view electronic remittance advice (ERA) or 835 data, including explanations of benefits (EOBs) and explanations of payments (EOPs).

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials.
 Select Claims & Payments | Remittance Viewer.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select ERA enrollment and remittance viewer.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type remittance viewer in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Post-Service Tools

Appeals and Reconsiderations

Use the Appeals application to submit a dispute request for an appeal and manage submitted requests. The Appeals page displays the appeals that are in the dispute process and includes appeals for which the payer has issued a decision. The list of appeals on the page is called a worklist. Each disputed appeal displays as a card that has two views, summary and detail.

Help & Training Resources

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials. Select **Claims & Payments | Appeals**.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Appeals.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type appeals in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Overpayments

Use the Overpayments application to manage your daily workflow of overpayments and perform these functions:

- Request more information, dispute, or resolve an overpayment.
- Attach supporting documentation to an overpayment.
- Exchanges messages with the health plan.

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials.
 Select Claims & Payments | Overpayments.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select Overpayments.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type overpayments in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

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EDI Reports

Availity's batch EDI processing generates response files (acknowledgements and reports) for each submitted batch file. Availity provides standard response files recommended in the official HIPAA implementation guides (called TR3s) and proprietary reports for end-to-end tracking and accountability of each submitted transaction.

Help & Training Resources

- To access the tool, log into Availity Essentials. Select **Claims & Payments | Send and Receive Files**.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help Center, select EDI transactions.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the **Watch a demo** link. Or in **Help & Training** | **Get Trained**, type *electronic data interchange* in the **Search** field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select **Enroll**.

Payer Spaces

Humana's Payer Space contains links to payer-specific applications, resources, and news and announcements. Applications and resources can reside on Availity Essentials, on the payer's website, or on a third-party website.

- To access the payer's space, log into Availity Essentials. Select Payer Spaces | Humana Payer Tile.
- For help, log into Availity Essentials and then select
 Help & Training | Find Help. In the Provider Help
 Center, select Payer spaces and payer tools.
- For training resources: On the tool page, select the Watch a demo link. Or in Help & Training | Get Trained, type payer spaces in the Search field. Review the list of training resources. Select the resource you want to view. Then, select Enroll.

Thank you.

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