



Attention Electronic Billers/Submitters of Institutional Claims

We want to remind providers and submitters that the following Bill Type codes are the only codes that are acceptable for the Louisiana Medicaid Program, including Bayou Health claims and encounters. The file extension of the electronic claim file is also very important in combination with the Bill Type codes.

For **file extension 837I – UB9** the acceptable Bill Type codes are: 11X, 12X, 13X, 14X, 18X, 71X, 72X, 76X, 81X, 82X, 83X, 85X, 86X; 89X

For **file extension 837I – HOM** (Home Health) the only acceptable Bill Type code is 33x. When billing Home Health claims electronically you must use the file extension 837I – HOM.

For **file extension 837I – LTC** (Long Term Care) the only acceptable Bill Type codes are: 21X, 65X, 66X. These codes are ONLY acceptable for Long Term Care billing. Hospitals may not use these codes.

Electronic 837I billing files that are submitted with Bill Type codes not included in those listed above **will be rejected** and not entered into the claims processing system. One of the most common errors identified for file rejections is the use of Bill Type 33x with file extension 837I- UB9.

Providers must review the billing instructions for their provider type to ensure use of acceptable Bill Types for their program. Providers using a Bill Type from the list above that is not acceptable for the specific provider type/medical program will receive a denial of 042 – Invalid UB Bill Type.