

## BRIEF

Bi-monthly newsletter to keep you connected



### Blue Cross Blue Shield of Mass Settlement Update

[Link to file claims](#)

We previously shared an [advisory](#) by the Massachusetts Hospital Association regarding the \$2.8 billion settlement owed by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts to providers.

Please navigate to the link below to view additional information and instructions on filing related claims for those who are participating in the settlement.

<https://www.bcbsprovidersettlement.com/>

Additional information can also be viewed here <https://www.bcbssettlement.com/>

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### New requirement for United commercial

Beginning Feb. 1, 2025, United is adding the following GA modifier requirement for UnitedHealthcare commercial plans claims to their [Charging members for non-covered services](#) protocol. In addition to the consent requirements in the Protocol, if you know or have reason to suspect that a commercial member's benefits do not cover the service (as described further in the Protocol), a GA modifier must be submitted on the claim if you want to bill the member for the non-covered service. See the posting here on the United website: <https://www.uhcprovider.com/en/resource-library/news/2024/ga-modifier-requirement-commercial-plans.html>



Physician Performance is reaching out to United, as well as working collaboratively with MHA and MMS, to voice our disagreement about the appropriateness of this requirement. We will keep you updated on the progress of this work.

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### Boston Magazine recognizes Beth Israel Lahey Health physicians

We are proud to celebrate the Physician Performance physicians on the Boston Magazine's 2025 top doctors list, which covers 60 specialties. Congratulations and thank you for your dedication to exceptional patient care.



## [BILH Physicians Recognized as Boston's Top Doctors | Beth Israel Lahey Health](#)

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### BILHPN Pharmacy Newsletter

BILHPN has published their pharmacy newsletter for January 2025. Some highlights include:

- ADA standards of care updates
- Titrating and tapering antidepressant tactics
- MCSTAP case discussion



For the full newsletter, click [here](#)

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**Aetna provider update on Hospital-owned practices reimbursement**

**This update applies to commercial members only.**

**Effective June 1, 2025**

For hospital-owned practices, Aetna will no longer reimburse facilities for their facility/practice expense when this is already being paid to the physician. Please go online to the Aetna portal for more information. [Aetna.com](https://www.aetna.com)

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