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# BlueCard Worldwide®

Wherever you go, your health coverage goes with you

## BlueCard Worldwide®

### Search for Hospitals and Doctors Worldwide

In addition to hospitals and doctors, this site also provides helpful travel and destination information.

### When you need health care outside the U.S., follow these simple steps:

1. Always carry your Blue Cross and Blue Shield identification card.
2. Check with your Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan before leaving the U.S. because your health care benefits may be different outside the U.S.
3. If you need emergency medical care, go to the nearest hospital. Call the BlueCard Worldwide Service Center at 1.800.810.BLUE (2583) or call collect at 1.804.673.1177 if you're admitted.
4. If you need non-emergency inpatient medical care, you must call the BlueCard Worldwide Service Center. The Service Center will facilitate hospitalization at a BlueCard Worldwide hospital or make an appointment with a doctor. It is important that you call the BlueCard Worldwide Service Center in order to obtain cash-less access for inpatient care. The Service Center is staffed with multilingual representatives and is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
5. Call your local Plan for pre-certification or prior authorization, if necessary. Refer to the phone number on the back of your card.

### Claims filing and payment information:

- For inpatient care at a BlueCard Worldwide® hospital that was arranged through the BlueCard Worldwide Service Center, 1.800.810.BLUE (2583), you only pay the provider the usual out-of-pocket expenses (non-covered services, deductible, co-payment and co-insurance). The provider files the claim for you.
- For all outpatient and professional medical care, you pay the provider and submit a claim. You may also have to pay the hospital (and submit a claim) for inpatient care obtained from a non-BlueCard Worldwide® hospital or when inpatient care was not arranged through the BlueCard Worldwide Service Center.
- To submit a claim, you complete an International Claim Form and send it to the BlueCard Worldwide Service Center.

### Download an international claim form:

You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader to open the International Claim Form. You can get the Acrobat Reader at [www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com).

- International Claim Form (English, letter paper size)
- International Claim Form (English, European A4 paper size)

# BlueCard Worldwide<sup>®</sup> International Claim Form



Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans are independent licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

Please see the instructions on the reverse side of this form before completing. Please type or print.

Send completed form to: BlueCard Worldwide Service Center  
P.O. Box 72017  
Richmond, VA 23255-2017 USA

**1. Patient Information— 1A. Alpha prefix Identification number** *Copy this from your Blue Cross Blue Shield identification card.*

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<b>1B. Patient's name</b> (First, middle initial, last)	<b>1C. Patient's date of birth</b> MM/DD/YYYY / /	<b>1D. Patient's sex</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
<b>1E. Name of subscriber</b> (First, middle initial, last)	<b>1F. Subscriber's date of birth</b> MM/DD/YYYY / /	<b>1G. Patient's relationship to subscriber</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child

**1H. Subscriber's current mailing address** (Street, city, state, and country or ZIP code)

**2. Other Health Insurance— Is the patient covered under other health insurance, including Medicare A or B?**  Yes  No  
*If yes, complete 2A through 2K below.*

**2A. Name and address of insuring company**

<b>2B. Type of policy</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<b>2C. Effective date</b> MM/DD/YYYY / /	<b>2D. Termination date</b> MM/DD/YYYY / /	<b>2E. Policy or identification number of other coverage</b>
<b>2F. Type of coverage</b> Hospital: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Medical: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>2G. Name of subscriber</b>	<b>2H. Date of birth</b> MM/DD/YYYY / /	
<b>2I. Employer of subscriber</b>		<b>2J. Employment status</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Active employee <input type="checkbox"/> Retired employee	

**2K. If patient is covered under Medicare, complete the following:** Medicare Part A:  Yes  No Effective date \_\_\_\_\_ Medicare Part B:  Yes  No Effective date \_\_\_\_\_

<b>3. Diagnosis— 3A. Describe illness, injury, or symptoms requiring treatment</b>	<b>3B. Was patient's treatment due to a work-related accident or condition?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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**3C. Complete for care related to accidental injuries**

Date of accident \_\_\_\_\_ Location:  At home  Auto  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Time of accident \_\_\_\_\_ *If the accident was caused by someone else, attach a statement describing the accident.*

**4. Charges— Use a separate line to list each type of service or provider and attach itemized bills for all services.**

4A. Name and address of provider making charge	4B. Type of provider	4C. Description of service	4D. Dates of service or purchase	4E. Charges

**5. Payee— Select one of the following payment options:**

**5A.  Make payment to subscriber; provider has been paid.**

1. Currency— Do you want the check issued in the currency reflected on the itemized bill(s) or in U.S. dollars?  Currency on itemized bill(s)  U.S. dollars

2. Payment Method - Do you want to receive payment via a check or bank wire?  Check Provide current telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

Bank Wire. If you want to receive a bank wire provide the following:

Subscriber name as it appears on bank account: \_\_\_\_\_ Bank name \_\_\_\_\_

Bank's Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ ABA# \_\_\_\_\_

**5B.  Make payment to provider (hospital, doctor). Please complete and sign.**

Authorization for Assignment of Benefits

I, the undersigned, authorize and request Blue Cross and Blue Shield to make payment for benefits due herein to:

Name of provider \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of subscriber or spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Signature—** I certify the above is complete and correct and that I am claiming benefits only for charges incurred by the patient named above. Authorization is hereby given to any provider of service, that participated in any way in the patient's care, to release to the subscriber's Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan and its business associates in any country any medical or other personal information that they deem necessary to provide service or adjudicate this claim, recognizing that applicable law concerning personal information may differ among countries. Authorization is also given to the subscriber's Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan and its business associates in any country to collect, use or release any medical or other personal information that they deem necessary to provide service or adjudicate a claim.

Signature of subscriber or patient \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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## General Information

The BlueCard Worldwide International Claim Form is to be used to submit institutional and professional claims for benefits for covered services received outside the United States, Puerto Rico, Jamaica and the U.S. Virgin Islands. For filing instructions for other claim types (e.g., dental, prescription drugs, etc.) contact your Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan.

The International Claim Form must be completed for each patient in full, and accompanied by fully itemized bills. It is not necessary for you to provide an English translation or convert currency.

Since the claim cannot be returned, please be sure to keep photocopies of all bills and supporting documentation for your personal records.

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## International Claim Form Instructions

Please complete all items on the claim form. If the information requested does not apply to the patient, indicate N/A (Not Applicable). Special care should be taken when completing the following items:

### 2. Other Health Insurance

If the patient holds other insurance coverage, please complete items A through K as completely as possible. It is especially important to indicate the name and address of the other insurance company and the policy or identification number of that coverage, as well as the name and birth date of the person who holds that policy.

In addition, if the patient is someone other than the subscriber and has received benefits from any other health insurance plan held by reason of law or employment, the Explanation of Benefits Form furnished by the other carrier pertaining to these charges must be included with the claim.

A clear photocopy of the other carrier's Explanation of Benefits Form is acceptable in place of the original document.

### 4. Charges

Please list here the bills that are being included on this claim. Although itemized bills must also be submitted, your listing will enable us to process the claim more quickly and accurately. If additional space is needed for listing charges, please use a separate sheet of paper to list the following information.

**4A. Name and Address of provider**— as indicated on the bill. Multiple bills from the same provider may be included on the same line, as long as they are for the same type of service.

**4B. Type of provider**— for example: hospital, nurse, physician, clinic, physical therapist, etc.

**4C. Description of service**— for example: hospital admission, office visit, x-ray, laboratory test, surgery, etc.

**4D. Date of service or purchase**— inclusive dates may be indicated for bills containing multiple dates of service.

**4E. Charge**— bills must be itemized to show a separate charge for each service. If the bill has already been paid, please indicate the date it was paid.

### 5. Payee

**5A. Make payment to subscriber, designation of currency and payment method** – 1) Indicate whether you want to be paid in the currency reflected on the bill(s) or in U.S. dollars and if you want to receive payment via check or bank wire. Please note that not all forms of currency may be available for payment. In the event that you select payment in a currency that is not available, you will be paid in U.S. dollars. Banks will typically charge a flat fee or percentage-based fee to receive a wire. You may want to investigate fees charged by your bank prior to requesting a wire since you will be responsible for any such fees.

2) You must include the following information on this form: your full legal name (initials are not acceptable), your physical address (payments cannot be sent to a P.O. box); for wire payments, the bank's name and physical address (payments cannot be wired to a P.O. box), your account number and your bank's ABA number (the ABA number is a nine digit routing number that identifies a specific financial institution). Also, please provide a copy of a voided check or deposit slip so that the bank information can be validated. For checks to be sent by express mail, you must provide a current telephone number.

**5B. Authorization for assignment of benefits**— complete item 5B if you prefer that benefits be paid directly to the provider of service.

### 6. Signature

The International Claim Form must be signed and dated by the subscriber, spouse, or the patient.

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## Itemized Bill Information

Each provider's original itemized bill must be attached and must contain:

- The letterhead indicating the name and address of the person or organization providing the service
- The full name of the patient receiving the service
- The date of each service
- A description of each service
- The charge for each service

This completed claim form, together with itemized bills and supporting documentation, should be submitted to:

**BlueCard Worldwide Service Center**  
P.O. Box 72017  
Richmond, VA 23255-2017 USA