

**ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY STATEMENT**  
**North Carolina Marketplace**

<b>Policy Name &amp; Number</b>	<b>Date Effective</b>
Itemized Billing-NC MP-AD-1269	01/01/2024



**A. Subject**  
**Itemized Billing**

**B. Background**

Itemized bill review is the analysis of inpatient facility itemized billing statement against CareSource policies and industry standard guidelines, as well as state and/or federal billing guidelines. CareSource may request an itemized bill for an inpatient facility claim to verify that billed revenue codes represent charges for appropriately billed items, supplies and services. Routine items, supplies, and services are to be included in the primary inpatient room and board charge and are not separately reimbursable.

**C. Definitions**

- **Inpatient Hospital Claim** – Claims submitted for a member who has been admitted by a physician order to an inpatient hospital bed to receive inpatient services.
- **Itemized Bill** – A comprehensive list of all services and goods provided during the inpatient hospital stay which lists the costs and descriptions associated with the service and/or good.

**D. Policy**

- I. CareSource follows the CMS Provider Reimbursement Manual guidelines, chapter 22, sections 2202.6 and 2203.
  - A. Routine services defined by CMS chapter and section above are services included by the provider in a daily service charge, sometimes referred to as the “room and board” charge.
  - B. Routine services are composed of two broad components: (1) general routine services and (2) special care units (SCUs), including coronary care units (CCUs) and intensive care units (ICUs). Included in routine services are the regular room, dietary and nursing services, minor medical and surgical supplies, medical social services, psychiatric social services, and the use of certain equipment and facilities for which a separate charge is not customarily made.
- II. For diagnostic-related group (DRG) high dollar claims exceeding \$25,000, an itemized bill is required for review.
- III. The following supplies, items, and services are typically not separately billable and therefore are not reimbursable from the general room and board charge or primary service charge. This list contains examples only and is not an all-inclusive list:
  - A. capital/medical equipment
  - B. fluoroscope
  - C. oximetry
  - D. rental equipment
  - E. routine supplies
  - F. hydration flushes
  - G. implants and supplies
  - H. inpatient private duty nursing

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