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***Sterilization Consent Form* submission**

Summary: Hospitals and physicians no longer need to submit a *Sterilization Consent Form* with a universal billing or *CMS-1500* claim form for a sterilization procedure.

What this means to you:

According to federal regulations, when a sterilization procedure is performed, the patient must sign a *Sterilization Consent Form*. Amerigroup Community Care no longer requires this form to be submitted with the professional or hospital claim.

Patients are still required to sign a *Sterilization Consent Form*, which must be retained in the patient's medical record. Amerigroup reserves the right to audit medical records if it is deemed necessary.

Where can I find more information on *Sterilization Consent Form* regulation?

You can find additional information on the *Sterilization Consent Form* regulation in 42 CFR §441.258 of the Code of Federal Regulations found online at ecfr.gov.

Where can I find more information on claims submission?

You can find additional information on submitting claims on the Amerigroup provider website (<https://providers.amerigroup.com/MD>> Provider Resources & Documents > Claims Submission and Reimbursement Policy > Electronic Data Interchange [EDI]).

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