

BCBSNC codebook for Pharmacy Claims Data

Enter X to Request	Variable Number	Variable Name	Variable Label	Variable Type	Variable Length	Valid Values
	1	MEMBERID	Sheps unique identifier of a BCBSNC member; spans all coverage periods, groups, subgroups and benefit plans	Char	8	-99 = missing 00000000 - 99999999 = 8 characters, each character =0 to 9
	2	POLMEMBERID	Sheps unique identifier of the combination of a BCBSNC member and their policy enrollment	Char	8	-99 = missing 00000000 - 99999999 = 8 characters, each character =0 to 9
	3	SUBSCRIBID	Sheps unique identifier of a BCBSNC subscriber	Char	8	-99 = missing 00000000 - 99999999 = 8 characters, each character =0 to 9
	4	SUBGROUP_NUMBER_WHS	Warehouse unique identifier for the lowest level grouping of an account	Char	7	Up to 7 characters, each character = 0 to 9
	7	COVERAGE_LEVEL_CODE	Code indicating who is insured by the subscriber	Char	4	Up to 4 characters
	8	INPATIENT_INDICATOR	Y/N indicator denoting whether this facility encounter is for an inpatient stay (overnight admission to hospital)	Char	1	(blank) N = No Y = Yes
	9	ORIGIN_CODE	Code used to denote the source of a claim/encounter	Char	2	01 = PCS-Pharmaceutical Card System 02 = PRN-Prescription Reimbursement Network 03 = ITS-Interplan Teleprocessing Service 05 = Electronic 06 = Paper 07 = Medicaid 08 = Medco 09 = DBP-Dental Benefit Plan 10 = AdvancedPCS - State drugs 12 = ACS Dental Benefit 13 = Caremark Drug Carve Out 14 = Generic Drug Carve Out 15 = Prime Pharmacy Claims Processing System N/A = Not Applicable Unk = Unknown
	10	VENDOR_ID	Vendor provider identifier	Char	6	Up to 6 characters, each character = 0 to 9
	11	PAYMENT_PROVIDER_ID	Number that uniquely identifies payment provider. For drug claims, this will be prescribing provider	Char	6	Up to 6 characters, each character = 0 to 9
	12	PAYMENT_TO_TYPE_CODE	Code denoting the party to whom claim payment (if any) is to be made	Char	2	1 = Provider 2 = Subscriber 3 = Other
	13	PROCEDURE_CODE	CPT/HCPS code used for health care service or procedure that received from a provider	Char	6	Consult External Standard Reference for CPT Codes
	14	PLACE_OF_SERVICE_CODE	Code for type of location where services on a claim line were rendered	Char	2	Look-Up Table provided upon request

15	ENCOUNTER_TYPE_CODE	Code used to classify claims into categories DENT/FCLTY/PHARM/PROF	Char	5	DENT = Dental FCLTY = Facility PHARM = Pharmacy PROF = Professional
16	ENCOUNTER_SERVICE_TYPE_CODE	Code representing grouping of claim lines by type of service provided; derived from several fields	Char	2	Look-Up Table provided upon request
17	PRODUCT_CODE	Code for the insurance product	Char	4	Look-Up Table provided upon request
18	ENCOUNTER_SERVICE_STATUS_CODE	Code representing a status of a claim line after adjudication	Char	2	01 = Finalized 02 = Void 03 = Denied
19	OBSERVATION_UNIT_IND	Indicator whether service was provided in observation unit of a hospital	Char	1	(blank) N = No Y = Yes
20	DUPLICATE_STATUS_INDICATOR	Indicator whether service is duplicate from another already adjudicated claim line (Medical Claims Only)	Char	1	(blank) N = No Y = Yes
21	PRIMARY_PRODUCT_CODE	Member's primary product as of the service start date	Char	4	Look-Up Table provided upon request
22	BENEFIT_PACKAGE_ID	Number (code) that identifies a set of benefits	Char	8	Look-Up Table provided upon request
23	PAID_IN_NETWORK_INDICATOR	Indicates whether the claim was paid at a negotiated rate, even if provider was out-of-network (Y/N)	Char	1	(blank) N = No Y = Yes
24	RENDERING_PROVIDER_NUMBER	Rendering Provider number	Char	6	Up to 6 characters, each character = 0 to 9
25	NATIONAL_DRUG_CODE	National Drug Code (NDC) - identifier established by FDA for drug products intended for human use	Char	11	Consult External Standard Reference for Codes
26	DRUG_NAME	Name given to the drug product by the manufacturer	Char	50	Consult External Standard Reference for Codes
27	DRUG_CATEGORY_CODE	Whether a drug is prescription or over-the-counter and whether it has a trade-name or is generic	Char	3	01 = Rx-only/Trade or Brand Name 02 = Rx-only/Generic 03 = Surgical/Device 04 = Rx Repackager/Innovator 05 = Rx-only/Branded-Generic 06 = Cosmetics 07 = OTC/Trade 08 = OTC/Generic 09 = OTC/Repackager 10 = Rx Repackager/non-Innovator 11 = For Compounding N/A = Not applicable

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28	STRENGTH_DESCRIPTION	Strength of drug product. Dash-separated strengths order corresponds to alphabetical order of active ingredients	Char	25		Up to 25 characters
31	DISPENSE_AS_WRITTEN_CODE	Code indicating reason why prescription dispensed as written	Char	1		0 = No DAW Given (no product selection indicated) 1 = Physician Requested Brand 2 = Patient Requested Brand 3 = Pharmacy Selected Brand 4 = No Generic Available 5 = Brand Drug dispensed as Generic 6 = Override 7 = Substitution not allowed 8 = Substitution allowed but not available 9 = Other N/A = Not Applicable Unk = Unknown
32	NEW_OR_REFILL_CODE	Indicator of new prescription or refill (00 = new, 01 through 99 = refill number)	Char	2		00 = New 01-99 = Number
34	DRUG_CLASS_CODE	Code indicating availability of drug to consumers	Char	3		01 = Federal / Legend (Prescription Only) 02 = Insulin 03 = Over the Counter 04 = State Restricted N/A = Not Applicable Unk = Unknown Unm = Unmapped
35	THERAPEUTIC_CLASS_CODE	Code indicating standard classification of the drug by therapeutic class	Char	10		Consult External Standard Reference for Codes
36	SPECIFIC_THERA_CLASS_CODE	Specific classification of drug for users needing a definitive therapeutic classification system (Medco)	Char	10		Consult External Standard Reference for Codes
37	AHFS_THERA_CLASS_CODE	Therapeutic category of drug per American Hospital Formulary Service classification system	Char	8		Look-Up Table provided upon request
39	STANDARD_THERA_CLASS_CODE	Standard classification of drug - definitive, but not comprehensive, therapeutic classification	Char	3		01 = Class 1 Pharmacy 02 = Class 2 Pharmacy 03 = Mail Service Pharmacy 04 = Home Health Care (Class 1) 05 = Home Health Care (Class 2) 06 = Nursing Home (Class 1) 07 = Nursing Home (Class 2) 08 = Medicaid Agency 09 = Department of Veterans Affairs 10 = Non-pharmacy dispensing site 11 = Indian Health Service/Tribal/Urban IH pharmacy 12 = Institutional pharmacy 13 = Clinic pharmacy N/A = Not Applicable Unk = Unknown

	40	COST_BASIS_CODE	Code indicating what was used as cost basis of drug (can determine MAC)	Char	3	01 = Not Specific 02 = AWP - Average Wholesale Price 03 = Local Wholesaler 04 = Direct 05 = EAC - Estimated Acquisition Cost 06 = Acquisition 07 = MAC - Max Allowable Charge 08 = BMN - Brand Medically Necessary 09 = U&C - Usual/Customary 10 = Unit Dose 11 = Others 12 = User Specs MAC 13 = Sub Ingr Cost 14 = FUL - Federal Upper Limit 15 = AGP - Average Generic Price 16 = Unit Cost from the NDC file 17 = Zero Balance 18 = Copay Ingredient Cost 19 = Lesser of U&C or Copay 20 = Manufacturer Direct Pricing 21 = 340B /Disproportionate Share Pricing N/A = Not Applicable Unk = Unknown Unm = Unmapped
	41	PHARMACY_ID	Pharmacy NABP number	Char	10	Up to 10 characters
	43	DRUG_FORM_CODE	Code used to specify the dosage form or medical supply type of a drug product	Char	3	Up to 3 characters
	44	MAIL_RETAIL_CODE	Indicates whether or not the drug was purchased retail or mail order	Char	1	(blank) N = No Y = Yes
	45	DEA_NUMBER	Drug Enforcement Act number assigned to an individual physician who may prescribe drugs to patients	Char	15	Up to 15 characters
	47	DATE_CLAIM_RECEIVED	Date claim was received by BCBSNC	Num	4	SAS date, use format to display as MM/DD/YYYY
	48	DATE_CLAIM_PROCESSED	Date processing for the claim was finalized and the claim was released for payment	Num	4	SAS date, use format to display as MM/DD/YYYY
	49	DATE_SERVICE_START	First date of service for the claim line	Num	4	SAS date, use format to display as MM/DD/YYYY
	50	DATE_SERVICE_END	Last date of service for the claim line	Num	4	SAS date, use format to display as MM/DD/YYYY
	51	C_DAYS_SERVICE	Days of service (DATE_SERVICE_END minus DATE_SERVICE_START + 1)	Num	4	1 or greater (integer)
	52	SERVICE_UNIT_COUNT	Number of unique units of service on the claim line	Num	8	Up to 10 digits

53	APPROVED_SERVICE_UNIT_COUNT	Number of service units on the claim line that have been approved for payment	Num	8	Up to 10 digits
54	PACKAGE_UNIT_COUNT	Labeled unit of measure in which package size or product weight/volume of drug may be expressed	Num	8	0 or greater
55	DAYS_SUPPLY_COUNT	Number of days supplied	Num	8	1 or greater (integer)
56	CHARGED_AMOUNT	Provided submitted charges on the claim	Num	8	Up to 11 digits
57	PROVIDER_NUMBER	Number that uniquely identifies the payment provider	Num	8	Up to 6 digits

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