

**PROVIDER AND INSURER APPLICATION  
NEW YORK STATE INDEPENDENT DISPUTE RESOLUTION FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND  
SURPRISE BILLS**

A health care provider (provider) or HMO/insurer (health plan) may dispute a payment or charge for emergency services, including inpatient physician and hospital services after an emergency room visit, or for a surprise bill. Applicants must: (1) visit the Department of Financial Services (DFS) website at [www.dfs.ny.gov](http://www.dfs.ny.gov) to get a file number; (2) complete this application; and (3) send the application and the requested information to the assigned independent dispute resolution entity (IDRE). For help call 1-800-342-3736 or e-mail [IDRquestions@dfs.ny.gov](mailto:IDRquestions@dfs.ny.gov).

**INFORMATION TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS**

1. File Number assigned by the DFS website: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Applicant is:  Provider  Health plan (Check one)

**3. Patient Information**

Name: _____
Address: _____
Health Plan ID Number: _____

**4. Health Plan Information**

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone Number: (_____) _____ Fax Number: (_____) _____
Email Address: _____

**5. Provider Information**

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone Number: (_____) _____ Fax Number: (_____) _____
Email Address: _____

**6. Dispute is: (Check one)**

- Emergency Services (including inpatient physician or hospital services after emergency room visit)**  
CPT codes 99281 – 99285, 99288, 99291 – 99292, 99217 – 99220, 99224 – 99226, and 99234 – 99236 are not subject to IDR if the bill does not exceed 120% of UCR and the fee disputed is \$693.66 (for 2020 and adjusted annually for inflation rates) or less.
- Surprise Bill for Other Than Emergency Services**

7. For surprise bills, did you receive an assignment of benefits signed by the patient and send it to the provider/health plan?

Yes  No (If yes, attach)

8. Date(s) of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Place of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Provide the circumstances and complexity of the service including time and place, or submit when contacted by the IDRE if you want considered:  Attached  Not Attached

11. Provide individual patient characteristics, or submit when contacted by the IDRE if you want considered:  Attached  Not Attached

12. Identify the fee charged by the provider (attach a copy of the bill) or, for disputes involving a hospital, the hospital's final offer (amount IDRE should consider): \_\_\_\_\_  
For disputes involving a hospital, attach an explanation of how the charges should be grouped and how the final offer was determined.

13. Identify the amount health plan paid as of date of application or, for disputes involving a hospital, the health plan's final offer (amount IDRE should consider): \_\_\_\_\_  
For disputes involving a hospital, attach an explanation of how the charges were grouped and how the payment or final offer was determined.

14. **PROVIDER APPLICANTS COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING** and submit the information with this application or when contacted by the IDRE, otherwise a decision will be made without the information.

- a) Three (3) fees received by the provider in the last 24 months for the same service, in the same region, from health plans in which the provider does not participate.  Attached  Not Attached
- b) The provider's usual charge for similar services when the provider does not participate with the health plan.  Attached  Not Attached
- c) For physician providers, the physician's level of training, education and experience in relation to the service.  Attached  Not Attached
- d) For hospital providers, the teaching status, scope of services, and case mix.  Attached  Not Attached

15. **HEALTH PLAN APPLICANTS COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING** and submit the information with this application or when contacted by the IDRE, otherwise a decision will be made without the fee information.

- a) Coverage Type:  EPO  HMO  POS  PPO  Child Health Plus  Medicaid Managed Care  
 Essential Plan Type:  1  2  3  4
- b) Three (3) fees paid by the health plan as a final payment in the last 24 months to non-participating providers who are similarly qualified for the same service in the same region.  Attached  Not Attached
- c) For physician services, the usual and customary cost for the service and the database from which this was derived.  Attached  Not Attached

16. **ALL APPLICANTS COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING.**

I attest that the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree to pay the IDR fee in full within 30 days from the date of the decision if I am the non-prevailing party. If there is a settlement, I agree to pay half of the prorated fee. If I am the applicant and do not provide information for the IDRE to determine eligibility, the application will be rejected, and I agree to pay a processing fee. If I am a provider and the dispute is for a surprise bill, I agree I shall not bill the patient except for any copayment, coinsurance or deductible that would be owed if the patient had utilized a participating provider.

For disputes involving a hospital, I attest that my entity's final offer was sent to the opposing party at least 15 days before the application was submitted to the IDRE. (Check box to attest if applicable)

Provider or Health Plan Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_