

NOTICE: Obstetrical Ultrasound Billing

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Dear provider,

In our ongoing efforts to ensure the provision of quality care and services to our members, BCBSAZ Health Choice will be updating the CPT codes that can be used as routine Obstetrical ultrasounds.

Effective June 15, 2024, the CPT codes that can be used are:

76801	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real time with image documentation, fetal and maternal evaluation, first trimester (< 14 weeks 0 days), transabdominal approach; single or first gestation
76805	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real time with image documentation, fetal and maternal evaluation, after first trimester (> or = 14 weeks 0 days), transabdominal approach; single or first gestation
76813	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real time with image documentation, first trimester fetal nuchal translucency measurement, transabdominal or transvaginal approach; single or first gestation

Primary Care Obstetricians complete one to two ultrasounds on average during the prenatal period. These don't require prior authorization. Please submit billing for Level I OB ultrasounds in accordance with your contract.

Reminder: All out of network providers require Prior Authorization for all services

BCBSAZ Health Choice Prior Authorization (PA) Guidelines and PA Grids are available online by visiting:

- BCBSAZ Health Choice Arizona (HCA): [Prior Authorization - BCBSAZ Health Choice \(healthchoiceaz.com\)](https://www.healthchoiceaz.com/prior-authorization)
- BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HCP): [Prior Authorization & Clinical Guidelines - BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway](https://www.healthchoiceaz.com/prior-authorization-clinical-guidelines)
- ACA StandardHealth with Health Choice (HCS): [Prior Authorization - ACA StandardHealth with Health Choice \(standardhealthhc.com\)](https://www.standardhealthhc.com/prior-authorization)

If you have any questions, please reach out to your Network Provider Representative.

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