An Explanation of Benefits

What do I need to know?

Anytime your healthcare provider bills your insurance company, you will receive an explanation of benefits **(EOB)**. An **EOB** summarizes the services, charges, and payment for treatment you have received. **An EOB is not a bill**, although it may look like one.

Here's what happens AFTER your visit:

First, your healthcare provider will file a claim through your insurance company, requesting payment for services.

Then, once a claim is processed by your insurance company, you should receive an **EOB**.

- An EOB shows a description of services and a breakdown of costs related to your claim.
- An EOB also shows the portion of costs—if any—for which you may be responsible.

After your **EOB** arrives in the mail (or electronically), keep a copy for your records.

Remember: the EOB is not a bill. You should not make a payment unless you receive a bill from your healthcare provider. If any payment is due, you may receive a bill (or an invoice) from your healthcare provider.

- If nothing is owed, you may not receive a bill.
- The timing of when you receive a bill may vary.

Key differences

- Claim indicates how your healthcare provider documents services provided to you and requests payment from the insurance company
- EOB shows the charges billed for each service provided and who is responsible for payment
- Bill indicates how your healthcare provider requests payment from you

Questions about your **EOB**? An Alnylam Case Manager can help.



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Sample Explanation of Benefits

	Explanati	planation of Benefits (EOB)					1 THIS IS NOT A BILL					
2	LOGO											
	Claim Date: 3 Plan ID #: 233	1		Address: 555 Main Street, Anywhere, USA 1000 Group #: GA-123456					01			
	Subscriber ID #: 78910 Payee: XYZ Insurance Claim #: 1234567						Provider: Doctor's Office Date Paid: 3/20/2019					
	Patient Name: Sally Smith									1		
4	Description	Date of Service	Claim Status	Provider Charges	Allowed Charges	Patie Deductible	ent Respon Copay	sibility Coinsurance	Paid by	aim Cost What You Owe	Note/ Reason	
	Outpatient care	2/26/2019	PAID	\$150	\$120	7 _{\$0}	\$35	\$0 S	\$85 1	• _{\$35}	XXX	
	Lab/diagnostics	3/01/2019	PAID	\$90	\$65	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$65	\$0	XXX	

What to look for:

- 1. Your EOB should always feature this disclaimer. An EOB is an explanation of payment to the healthcare provider; it is not a bill.
- 2. An **EOB** will come from your insurance company and should clearly show the company name and/or logo.
- 3. A number will be assigned to your claim once it has been filed. You may be asked to provide this number in the event you have questions about your claim.
- 4. A brief description of the type of treatment you received, and when. This description may include a code that specifically identifies the service provided.

- 5. The amount billed by your healthcare provider to your insurance company.
- 6. The total amount that your healthcare provider will be paid by your insurance company and you (if you have any financial responsibility).
- 7. The amount you may owe before your insurance company will pay for any services (**deductible**). Not all plans have a **deductible**, or you may have already met your annual obligation.
- 8. A flat amount (**copay**) or percentage of allowed charges (**coinsurance**) that you must pay.

- 9. The portion of the allowed charges that will be paid by your insurance company.
- 10. The total amount you owe, including any applicable deductible, copay, or coinsurance. You may have already paid part of this amount (e.g., an office copay). You should wait to receive a bill from your healthcare provider before paying for the services. You should not be asked to pay more than this amount.^a
- Explains why the insurance company may not have approved some or all of a claim (e.g., non-covered service, or additional information needed from your healthcare provider). This is usually shown as a code.

^aIf your insurance company has paid \$0 toward services, there may be an issue with your claim. Illustrative example only. Each insurance company will have its own **EOB** format and the terminology used may vary. Balance billing may still be possible for some OON providers of certain services.

