

Dear Providers and Payers,

Patient Weight Field Update

The patient weight field restrictions have been updated **from integer to float** on the eClaimLink schema.

- This change is to accommodate entering the weight of newborns which is required with the reporting of DRGs
- In regards to DRG, the newborn weight reported should be between 0.150 – 9.000 kg (150 – 9000 grams)
- Patient Weight must be reported in units of Kilograms (kg) in all eClaimLink transactions

Patient Weight Updated Definition:

- The patient's weight in Kilograms (Kg)
- For DRG purposes, the patient weight is mandatory for newborn and neonate encounters.
 - IR DRG definition of the Neonatal period: Age on admission is 7 days or less.
 - The newborn/neonatal period is exactly 7 days commencing on the date of birth (day 0) and ending on the completion of day 7.
 - The birth weight is limited to be between 150 grams and 9000 grams.
 - Example: A baby born on 1 October (day 0) remains a neonate until completion of 7 days on 8 October and is no longer a neonate on 9 October.

Documentation:

Schema updates are published on eClaimLink:

- DHD > [Schema](#)

Best Regards,

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