



Insurance Updates - BCBS and others

BCBS - Effective January 1, 2018 preauthorization codes were updated with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas. CPT 31231, diagnostic nasal endoscopy was challenged by NTENT leadership for the requirement of preauthorization. NTENT is happy to report that our appeal has been approved and prior authorization will no longer be required for this code.

During the transition period (through February or March), BCBS will still require your office to submit preauthorization for 31231 nasal endoscopy but an automatic approval will be granted by BCBS. Once the BCBS system is updated, this step will no longer be required. We will inform you when this step is no longer needed.

Cigna - There is a new fee schedule on the NTENT website (North Texas members only) effective 1/1/2018 which lists the new site differential. The new 2018 CPT codes will be released around April 2018.

Humana - There is a new fee schedule on the NTENT website (North Texas members only) that lists the new CPT codes effective 1/1/2018.

NTENT Annual Meeting

February 24, 2018 annual meeting for members and administrators will be held at the Gaylord. [Click here for invitation.](#)

Saturday February 24, 2018 Agenda

- 8:30-9:00 Medical Directors Only Meeting
- 9:00-10:00 State Wide Board of Directors Only Meeting
- 9:00-9:30 SEngage Patient Satisfaction Survey Training (in breakout room 2)
- 9:30-10:30 Open Break/Early Reception (Partners Booth to be opened)
- 10:30-11:30 Break Out Meetings (Member only meeting) (OM meeting)
- 11:30-12:00 Open Break/Lunch set-up (Partners Booth to be opened)
- 12:00-1:30 NTENT Meeting, Speaker and Open Panel Talk
- 1:30-2:00 Open Break (Partners Booth to be opened)

Please let NTENT know if you would like a room reservation for Friday evening at the discounted rate of \$219.00.

RSVP to Ashley at ntentoperations@ntent.org

SAVE THE DATE
NTENT Coding and Billing Event
Karen Zupko and Associates

Friday May 4, 2018
Invitations will be going out in February

[Click here for invitation.](#)

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