

# Proficient Benefit Profiling

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# Goal

- Streamline a process to make loading benefit information easier for groups
- Assigning unique IDs per benefit set can help with accuracy in profiling and time efficiency.



# Option ID

Account_Number	Branch_Code	Benefit_Option_Code	Network_Identifier	Benefits_Effective_Date	OptionID
3337191	ACTIVE	HMO	CA804	8/1/2016	100176
3338725	ACTIVE	HMO1	CA804	1/1/2017	100176

The Option ID is an identifier assigned to a unique set of benefits(i.e., same copays, coinsurance, etc.). In the above example there are two unique combinations of Account number, branch code, benefit option code, network ID, and effective date. We will refer to this unique combination as an account. BOTH accounts are associated with the same OptionID identifying that the benefit details are the same.



# Using a unique ID (Option ID)

Account_Number	Branch_Code	Benefit_Option_Code	Network_Identifier	Benefits_Effective_Date	OptionID
3337191	ACTIVE	HMO	CA804	8/1/2016	100176
3338725	ACTIVE	HMO1	CA804	1/1/2017	100176

Each unique set of benefits for copays or coinsurance will be assigned a unique numeric option ID starting with 100 (example: 100176).

- Each account shown in green above will be assigned an Option ID corresponding to the copays for that account.
- The account is then associated with an Option ID (shown in yellow above)
- The Option ID is then stored with the copays and a relationship is created between the account information and the associated copays using the Option ID creating your benefit sets.

Account Number	Branch Code	Benefit Option Code	Network Identifier	Benefits Effective Date	OptionID	PCP Office Visit Copay Amount Base	Spec Office Visit Copay Amount Base
3337191	ACTIVE	HMO	CA804	8/1/2016	100176	20	30
3338725	ACTIVE	HMO1	CA804	1/1/2017	100176	20	30



# Additional Copay Fields

- We have also added additional fields to assist in profiling for Radiology visits.
- Current fields are:
  - MRI-CAT-PET-COPAY-AMT
  - MRI-CAT-PET-COINS-PCT
- Added fields are:
  - Rad\_Copay\_Amount\_Office
  - Rad\_Copay\_Amount\_Outpatient
  - Rad\_Copay\_Amount\_Emergency\_Room
  - Rad\_Coinsurance\_Percent\_Inpatient
  - Rad\_Coinsurance\_Percent\_Outpatient



# Accessing your Benefit Sets

To download your benefit sets to profile, log in to PRNLink.com, select Eligibility & Benefits, and click on EDI Information.

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- Patricia Page LaPenn, CEO

# Accessing your Benefit Sets

Select Benefits Abstract Workbook under Benefit Abstract. This will download your Benefit Sets as an Excel file. In addition, this presentation will be available for future reference; select Proficient Benefits Profiling.

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## Eligibility And Benefits EDI

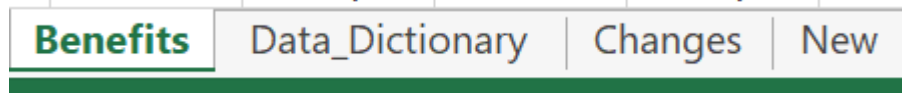
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BENEFITS_DATA_DICTIONARY
CAPITATION_DATA_DICTIONARY
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# What Your Benefit File Contains

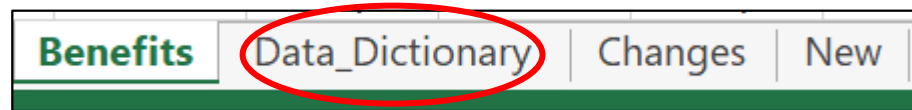
- Your benefit file previously ONLY contained the benefit information. It will now be in an excel workbook with 4 worksheets.
  - Benefits (The benefit sets with OptionID)
  - Data\_Dictionary
  - Changes
  - New





# Data\_Dictionary

- The data dictionary was located on the same menu with your eligibility layouts. It will now be included with your benefit sets for easier access and has been updated with the new benefit set updates/changes.

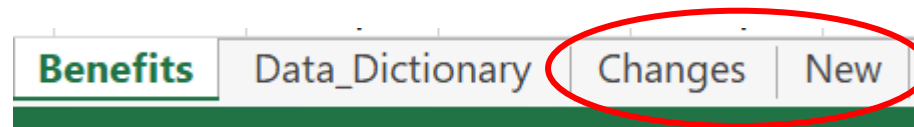


Field Name	Benefit Type	Definition
		Definition of wild card values. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- * 5's = Unavailable for download - confirm benefit by viewing benefits at prnlink.com</li><li>- * 7's = Unlimited Value</li><li>- * 8's = Nonstandard Value - confirm benefit by calling CIGNA HealthCare.</li><li>- * 9's = No benefit available</li></ul>
OptionID	Benefit Information	An identifier assigned to a unique set of benefits
Account_Number	Eligibility Data	Current employer account number
Account_Name	Eligibility Data	Current employer account name
Branch_Code	Eligibility Data	Current employer branch code



# New Benefit Sets and Copay Changes

- A report of copay changes and notice of new benefit sets was provided as a separate downloadable item on the EDI Menu. These items will be included with your benefit download on the spreadsheets labeled: New and Changes.



# Changes

- The “Changes” spreadsheet reports any benefit detail changes. You will be provided with the OptionID associated with the previous benefit details and the OptionID associated with the current benefit details. **This identifies benefits have changed NOT effective dates.**
- The fields provided are:
  - Account\_Number
  - Branch\_Code
  - Benefit\_Option\_Code
  - Network\_Identifier
  - Benefits\_Effective\_Date
  - CurrentOptionID
  - DateAddedCurrent
  - PreviousOptionID
  - DateAddedPrevious
  - DifferentColumns
- The field labeled “DifferentColumns” contains the field names that had a change.

100566	2017-07-27	100105	2017-03-27	[SNF_Coinsurance_Percent] [EP_Coinsurance_Percent] [HH_Coinsurance_Percent]		
100568	2017-07-27	100255	2017-03-27	[DME_Coinsurance_Percent] [HH_Coinsurance_Percent]		



# Changes-OOP

## Special Notice for Out of Pocket Amounts

- Sometimes your new benefit sets will contain the benefit details WITHOUT the out of pocket amounts reported. Once prnlink receives the updated information that contains the out of pocket info it will generate a notice in this change report
- Pay attention to the field labeled “Different Columns” that we reviewed on the previous slide for out of pocket updates.

100566	2017-07-27	100105	2017-03-27	[SNF_Coinsurance_Percent] [EP_Coinsurance_Percent] [HH_Coinsurance_Percent]			
100568	2017-07-27	100255	2017-03-27	[DME_Coinsurance_Percent] [HH_Coinsurance_Percent]			



# New Benefit Sets

- The “New” spreadsheet reports new benefit sets(benefit structure effective dates or new employers) with the OptionID.
- The fields provided are:
  - Account\_Number
  - Branch\_Code
  - Benefit\_Option\_Code
  - Network\_Identifier
  - Benefits\_Effective\_Date
  - OptionID
  - DateAdded

3333558	ACT	NTWK	CA804	2016-07-01	100012	2017-07-27
3339231	SD1	NTWK	CA807	2016-01-01	100061	2017-07-27



# Accessing File Layouts

On the Eligibility and Benefits EDI page you can also access your file layouts. This will tell you where in the file layout the option ID is located.

The screenshot shows the PRNLink.com website navigation bar with links for Eligibility & Benefits, Encounters, About Us, Training, and Contact. Below the navigation bar is the heading 'Eligibility And Benefits EDI'. Under this heading are two menu categories: 'BENEFIT ABSTRACT' and 'FILE LAYOUTS'. The 'FILE LAYOUTS' category is circled in red and contains a list of file layout options: 1000N, 834\_LAYOUT, BENEFITS\_DATA\_DICTIONARY, CAPITATION\_DATA\_DICTIONARY, EZCAP\_2019, H1000E, H1100EBH, H1100EBS, H1200ESBH, and H1200ESVH.

The Current layouts contain the option ID location. Here is an example:

Field Name	Description	Definition	Start Position	End Position	Field Length	Format
MBR-REP-WRITTEN-LANG	California Language Code Members Representative Written	Members representative written language	545	546	2	character
OPTIONID	prnlink specific	points to distinct benefit	547	552	6	



# Thank You

- For any questions or concerns email us at [datasource@prnlink.com](mailto:datasource@prnlink.com)
- The old benefit layout without the OptionID will be available for a period of 6 months in addition to the new benefit layout.

