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REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES

Effective 4/1/2026

Policy: *Inpatient Hospital Admission and Length of Stay Reviews*

Topic: *Short Stay Inpatient Hospital Claims*

As of **April 1, 2026**, Providence Health Plan (PHP) will implement criteria changes for claims submitted for short stay inpatient hospital claims. Starting April 2026, criteria for inpatient hospital claims received for stays of less than two midnights will be restricted to limited clinical scenarios for **Commercial and Medicaid/Oregon Health Plan (OHP)** lines of business. Reimbursement for short-stay inpatient claims may be denied or reduced when Plan policy criteria are not met.

For **Medicare Advantage** Plan members, current criteria will continue to apply at this time.