

To: Keystone First/Keystone First Community HealthChoices (CHC) Skilled Nursing Facility Providers

Date: December 15, 2025

Re: Discontinuation of Skilled Nursing Facility Type of Bill 026X

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (“CMS”) and the National Standards Group (“NSG”) has determined that use of **Type of Bill (“TOB”) 026X**, a reserved code for assignment by the National Uniform Billing Committee (“NUBC”), by a Health Plan or Provider is non-compliant with HIPAA Administrative Simplification provisions.

To align with CMS, NSG, and NUBC standards, effective **February 1, 2026**, Keystone First and Keystone First CHC will make the following changes:

- **TOB 026X** - will no longer be accepted for inpatient services provided under a Skilled Nursing Facility Plan of Care; and
- **TOB 021X** - will be accepted for all Skilled Nursing Facility claims

These changes will be effective for all claims processed on or after February 1, 2026, regardless of the date of service.

If you have questions regarding this information, please contact your Ancillary Provider Account Executive or call Provider Services at **1-800-521-6007**.