

# Save time with electronic hospital admission and discharge notifications

## UnitedHealthcare offers two efficient electronic methods you can use to submit admission and discharge notifications:

The **electronic data interchange (EDI) HIPAA 278N** transaction can be sent directly to UnitedHealthcare or through a clearinghouse in either batch or real-time format, which can result in fewer late notifications and reimbursement penalties. If your facility doesn't use EDI, our online **Prior Authorization and Notification tool** is a great alternative. It can also be used to update a notification request that was submitted using EDI.

### Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) 278N

- ✓ Notify UnitedHealthcare of inpatient admissions and discharges
- ✓ Receive service reference numbers
- ✓ Streamline administrative tasks and increase productivity
- ✓ Reduce administrative costs through automation
- ✓ Increase data accuracy by reducing manual errors

To get started, visit [UHCprovider.com/278n](https://UHCprovider.com/278n) or contact our dedicated 278N team at **888-804-0663** or [278n@uhc.com](mailto:278n@uhc.com).

### Online Prior Authorization and Notification Tool

- ✓ Notify UnitedHealthcare of inpatient admissions and discharges
- ✓ Receive service reference numbers
- ✓ Upload clinical notes or attach medical records and images to a request
- ✓ Look up an existing notification using the provider information, reference number or member information
- ✓ Update a notification request

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