

The Departments of Health and Human Services (HHS), Labor and Treasury (the Departments) released the Transparency in Coverage Final Rule in October 2020. The rule requires certain health care price information to be made available to help consumers and other stakeholders make health care decisions.

Congress passed the Consolidated Appropriations Act in December 2020. It includes the No Surprises Act (NSA), which addresses surprise medical billing for certain services. It also has requirements for health insurers and group health plans to provide information and tools for consumers to better navigate their health care.

Health insurers are required to publicly display certain health care price information via machine-readable files on their websites beginning in 2022. These machine-readable files will include negotiated rates with in-network providers, allowed amounts for out-of-network providers and may include prescription-drug pricing.

Blue Shield of California

For Blue Shield, files will be hosted by an external vendor and the link is now live on their website.

Blue Shield of California – Treatment Cost Estimator

Kaiser Permanente

Kaiser Permanente will post its in-network and out-of-network allowed amount machinereadable files (MRFs): <u>https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/front-door/machine-</u> readable.

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