How to Use the DFS Provider Complaint Forms Portal

https://www.dfs.ny.gov/complaint

In order to use the online Provider Complaint Forms application on the Department of Financial Services (DFS) portal, healthcare providers or their staff need to set up an account in the DFS portal.

Healthcare providers should use the Provider Complaint Forms application to file a complaint with DFS about health or no fault claims. Filing in the portal will allow the provider to obtain a file number immediately upon submitting the complaint. You will have the option to include supporting documents when you file the complaint, and additional information can be added to an existing complaint any time after filing the initial online complaint. Providers can view open and closed complaint files in the portal. Closed complaints will be available for 6 months after the file is closed. Providers <u>must not</u> use the Consumer Complaint application to submit complaints.

Before Filing

You <u>must</u> first attempt to resolve this issue with the insurer before filing a complaint with DFS. You will need to provide details (dates, times, contacts, etc.) about how you attempted to resolve this with the insurer. Otherwise, the case will be closed upon receipt.

Starting a new complaint

After selecting Provider Complaint Forms under My Applications, click "File a Provider Complaint". (See Figure 1)

Once you start to enter a complaint, you will have 30 minutes to submit it. See below for the information required for each complaint. We recommend that you have this information available prior to starting the process. If the complaint is not submitted within 30 minutes, the information will be lost, and you will need to restart the complaint. (See Figure 2)

When completing the complaint form, any field in the portal with an asterisk (*) is a required field. You will not be able to advance to the next screen until all required fields are completed.

There are five tabs to complete for each complaint:

- Provider
- Complaint Details
- Patient
- Supporting Documentation
- Review/Submit

Figure 1

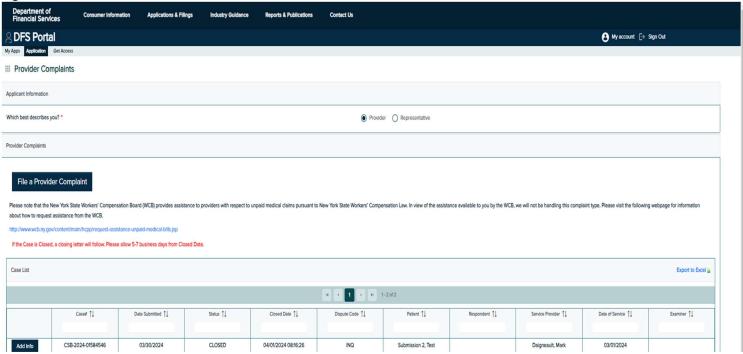
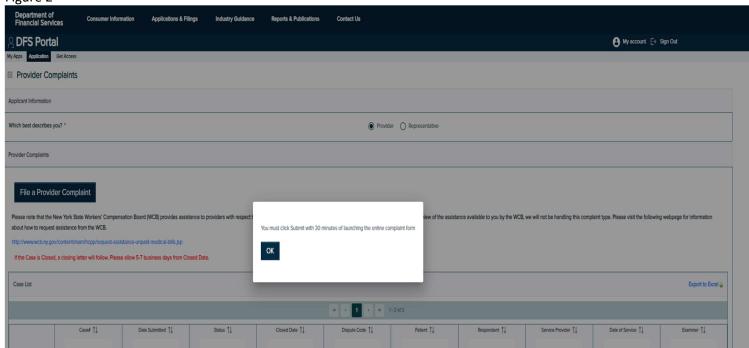


Figure 2



Provider Tab (see Figure 3)

Information on the Provider tab will pre-populate from the user's account. You can change any of the information that pre-populates. This is information about the provider or provider's business. You should not enter information about the patient or insurance company on this screen.

Figure 3

Department of Financial Services	Consum	er Information	Application	ns & Fillings	Industry Guidance	Reports & Publications	Cor
DFS Portal							
My Apps Application Get Access							
III Provider Complaints							
Provider Complaint Details	Patient	Supporting D	ocumentation	Review/Subm	ıt		
Provider Information							
Business Name:			TEST				
and/or * First Name:			Mark				
Middle Name:							
Last Name:			Daigneault				
Title:							
Address 1: *			adr				
Address 2:							
City: •			cyt				
State: •			New York	~			
Zip: *			66666-6666				
Phone: •			(777) 777-7777				
Extension:							
Fax:							
Email #1: *			mark.dalgneault@	dfs.ny.gov			
Email #2:							
Email #3:							
Tax ID: •			22-222222				
(If different than the Person named a	above)						
Name of Person who provided Servi	ces:						
Title of Person who provided Service	es:						

Complaint Details Tab (two types) (see Figure 4)

For What is your Complaint Type? (this relates to the type of insurance), use the drop-down box to select the type of complaint you are filing:

- No Fault (this is used only if the services relate to an automobile accident)
- ***Prompt Pay (this is used for health insurance complaints)***

Complaint Details Tab - Prompt Pay

Use this option to file a complaint regarding health insurance claims.

- Who is the person/entity you are complaining about? Use the Insurance Company drop down box to select the
 name of the insurance company about which you are submitting the complaint. If the company you are
 complaining about is not listed, check the box and then enter all of the available information about the
 insurance company.
- Are you a participating provider with the health plan? Indicate Yes or No if you have a provider agreement with the insurance company indicated above.
- Does this matter involve a health claim denied as not medically necessary, or that the services are experimental or investigational? Indicate Yes only if you or the patient received an Initial Adverse Determination or Final Adverse Determination that denied the claim as not medically necessary or experimental or investigational, otherwise indicate No.
- Have you attempted to resolve this with the insurer? and Comments provide the details (dates, times, contacts, etc.) of how you attempted to resolve this with the insurer.
- Date(s) of Service (DOS) and Billing Code you can enter multiple dates of service for the same patient even if the dates were entered on separate claims. Do not file multiple complaints with this Department for additional dates of service for the same patient. Use the "Add Additional DOS" button to add more than one date of service. You can enter more than one billing code per date of service by clicking Add Billing Code.
- Comment Box: Provide any other details about the complaint, such as the payment was denied and for the reason for the denial; if the payment was underpaid even though there was an agreement for payment; ;if the services were pre-authorized (provide the authorization number); etc.

Figure 4 (initial blank screen; the fields will change after you select Complaint Type – Prompt Pay) Consumer Information **Industry Guidance Applications & Filings** DFS Portal My Apps Application Get Access Provider Complaints Provider Complaint Details Patient Supporting Documentation Review/Submit Complaint Description What is your Complaint Type? * Select One Is this complaint related to COVID-19?: * O Yes O No Case Information Policy Number: Date of Accident: * Have you attempted to resolve this with insurer? * O Yes O No Comments: * Date(s) of Service Date of Service: * Date Claim Submitted: * Billing Code: * Ext: Amount: * \$0.00 Add Billing Code If you have additional Dates of Service for the Add Additional DOS complaint/patient, please click this button to add the dates. Do not file a separate complaint for additional dates of service

Back

Next →

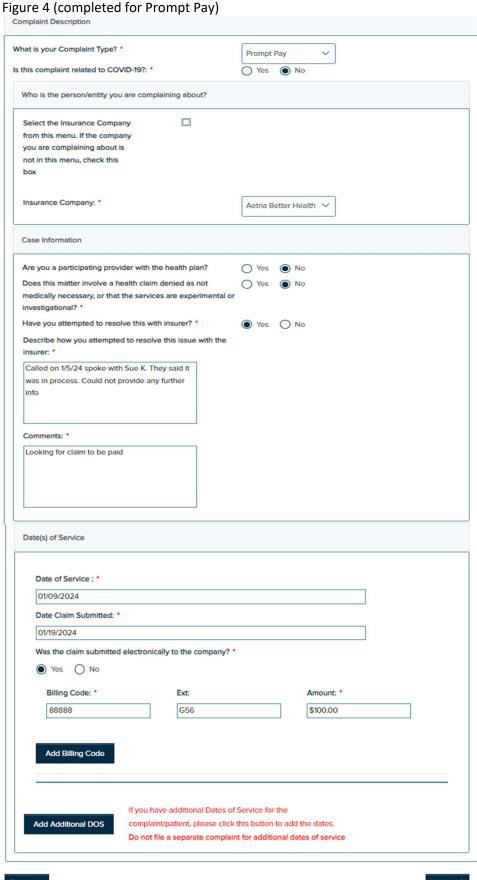
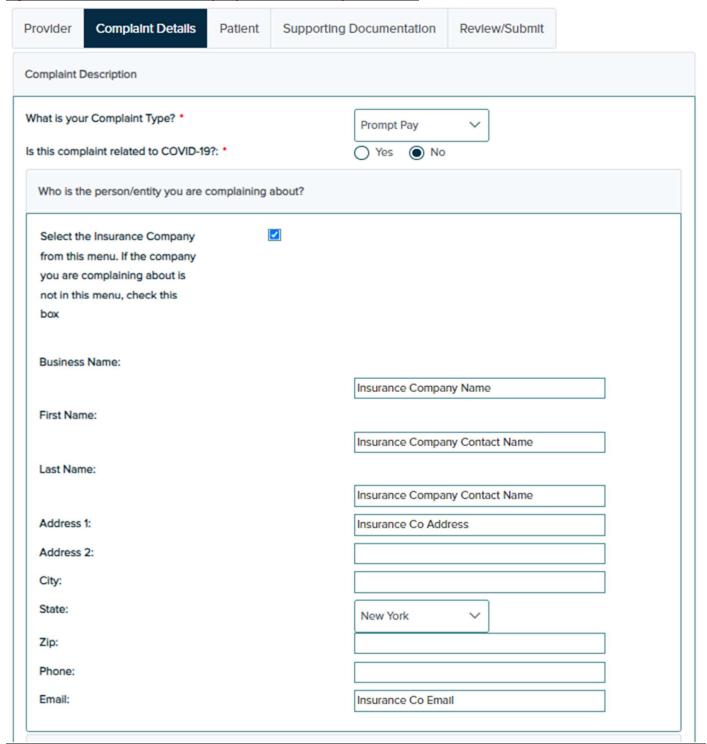
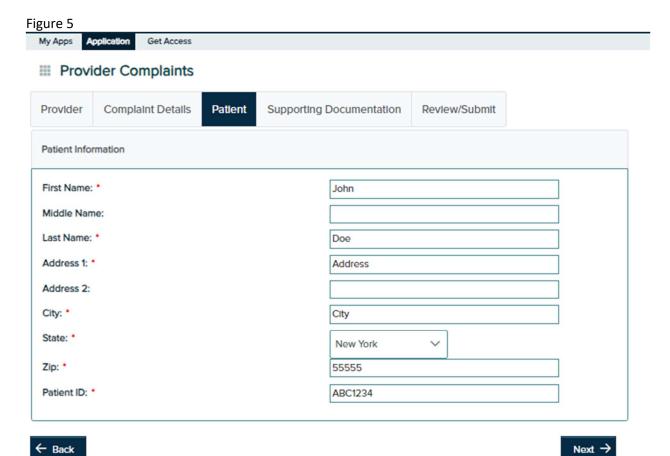


Figure 4 (when the insurance company is not in the drop-down box)



Patient Tab (see Figure 5)

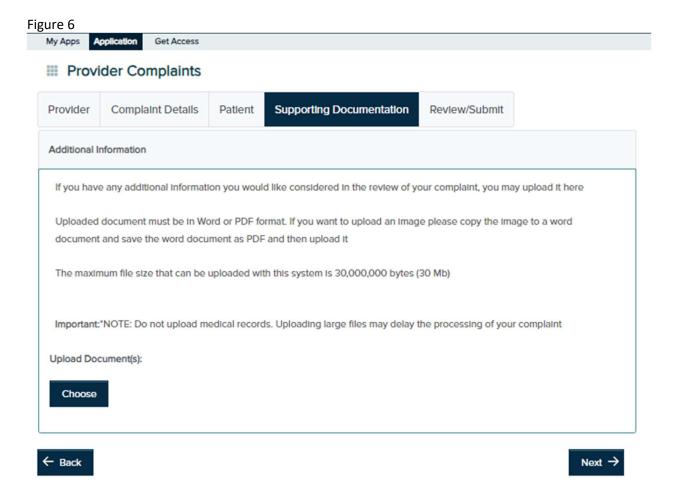
- Enter the name and address of the patient related to the claim listed on the Complaint Details tab.
- Patient ID the insurance company's identification number for this patient



Supporting Documentation Tab (see Figure 6)

Uploaded documents must be in Word or PDF format. If you want to upload an image, please copy the image to a word document and save the word document as PDF and then upload it. You also have the option to upload documents, after you submit the complaint. The maximum file size that can be uploaded with this system is 30,000,000 bytes (30 Mb). Uploading large files may delay the processing of your complaint.

Do NOT upload medical records.



Review/Submit Tab (see Figure 7)

You have the ability to review your complaint before submitting it to DFS. Use the Back button on the bottom of the screen to edit information on any previous screens. You must click the box next to "I Agree", before you can submit the complaint. The system will assign a file number once you submit the complaint. You can print your submission for your records. Additional information or documents can be added to the complaint after you submit it.

Figure 7

State:

Zip: Patient ID:

Provider Complaint Details Patient Supporting Documentation Review/Submit

Please review before submitting. If you wish to make any changes, click the Back button to return to previous screens.

This case will not be processed until you press the Submit button at the bottom of this screen.

Provider	
Business Name:	TEST
First Name:	Mark
Middle Name:	
Last Name:	Dalgneault
Title:	
Address 1:	adr
Address 2:	
City:	cyt
State:	NY
Zip:	66666-6666
Phone:	(777) 777-7777
Extension:	
Fax:	
Email #1:	mark.daigneault@dfs.ny.gov
Email #2:	
Email #3:	
Tax ID:	22-2222222
Name of Person who provided services:	
Title of Person who provided Services:	
Patient	
First Name:	John
Middle Name:	
Last Name:	Doe
Address 1:	Address
Address 2:	
City:	City

NY

55555

ABC1234

Case Information

What is your Complaint Type?

Prompt Pay

Is this complaint related to COVID-19?

No

Insurance Company:

Aetna Better Health

Are you a participating provider with the health plan?

No

Does this matter involve a health claim denied as not medically

necessary, or that the services are experimental or

investigational?

Have you attempted to resolve this with insurer?

Yes

Describe how you attempted to resolve this issue with the

insurer:

list dates, times and people contacted when attempting to

resolve this issue

Comments:

Provide any relevant comments here

Date(s) of Service

DOS List

Date Of Service	Date Claim Submitted	Submitted Electronically	Billing Code List
01/09/2024	01/19/2024	Vos	

Billing Code: 88888.G56 Amount: \$100.00

Total Amount: \$100.00

In order to resolve your complaint we may send a copy of this form and any supporting documentation you submit to the person or firm you are complaining about.

In filing this complaint, I understand that the Department of Financial Services is not my private attorney, but represents the public in enforcing laws designed to protect the public from misleading or unlawful business practices. I also understand that if I have any questions concerning my legal rights or responsibilities, I should contact a private attorney. I have no objection to the contents of this complaint (including supporting documentation) being forwarded to the institution or person that the complaint is directed against. The above complaint is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Agree: '

You must 'Agree' before continuing



Figure 7 (after I Agree is checked)

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Submit

Your case has been successfully submitted to NYSDFS. Your case number is CSB-2024-01587598

If you wish to save or print a copy of your submission, please click the Save a Copy button before leaving this screen.

Save a Copy

Start New Case