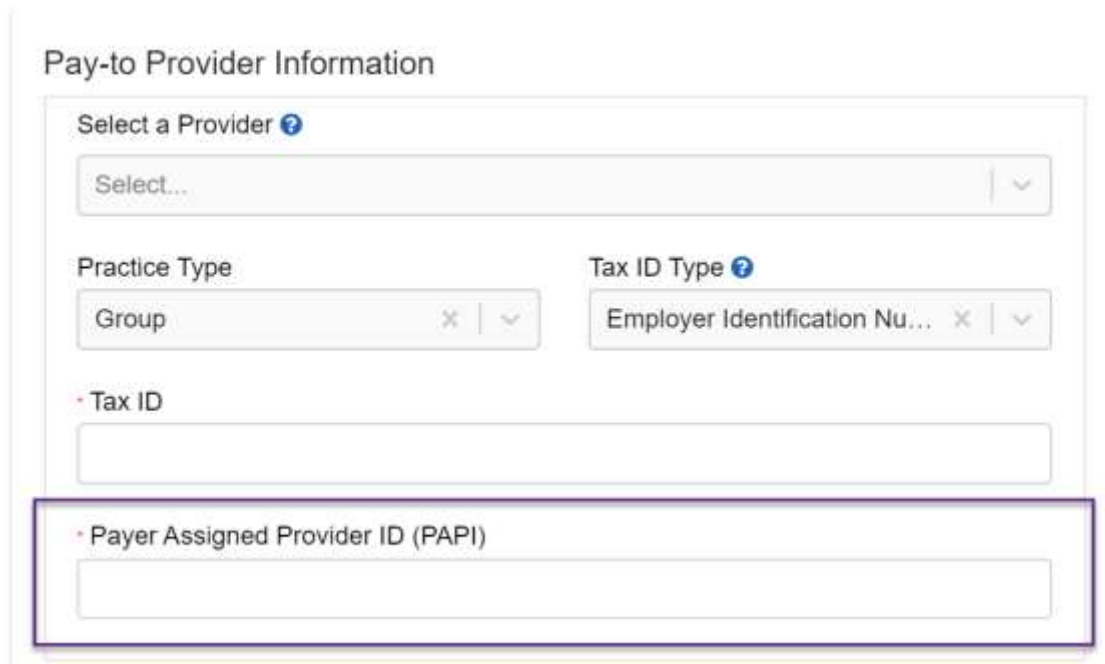


Enhanced Patient Cost Estimator Looks the Same But Offers a Better Experience

Florida Blue and Availity^{®1} are implementing updates to the Patient Cost Estimator (PCE) to bring you better results and improve your experience. The Sept. 30, 2020 enhancements will optimize workflow while calculating a patient's financial responsibility for services and procedures with the same look and feel you know.

What's New?

We have added a new required field for your Florida Blue Provider Assigned ID. The update also ensures the correct identification of the fee schedule, allowing for more precise cost estimates



The screenshot shows a form titled "Pay-to Provider Information". It contains several input fields: a dropdown menu for "Select a Provider", a dropdown for "Practice Type" (currently showing "Group"), a dropdown for "Tax ID Type" (currently showing "Employer Identification Nu..."), a text input for "Tax ID", and a text input for "Payer Assigned Provider ID (PAPI)". The "Payer Assigned Provider ID (PAPI)" field is highlighted with a red rectangular border.

Note: You will need to input a Florida Blue Provider ID, or PAPI, to complete a cost estimation transaction.

Patient Cost Estimator Features

You can search for cost estimates by choosing a procedure cost from the drop-down list. Pre-populated drop-down lists for Primary Diagnosis Codes and Place of Service prevent invalid entries. If the procedure code is not at hand, you can search by description.

Want More Information?

To learn more, access Availity's [Patient Cost Estimator Training Demo](#). Or navigate to *Help & Training > Get Trained* from the Availity portal front page and search for *Patient Cost Estimator*.

For technical assistance with this tool, call Availity client services at 800-AVAILITY (800-282-4548). If you need support with an estimate result, contact the Florida Blue Provider Contact Center at 800-727-2227.

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