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2.1 in the provider network for the consumer's health plan, the provider must obtain a signed
2.2 acknowledgment from the consumer indicating that the consumer understands the provider
2.3 is out-of-network. If the provider fails to obtain the signed acknowledgment from the
2.4 consumer under this paragraph, the provider shall not bill the consumer for services provided
2.5 to the consumer for any amount that is in addition to the amount authorized for the services
2.6 in the out-of-network fee schedule of the consumer's health plan.