

PROVIDER BULLETIN

Provider information



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Requesting that providers validate their information on Medicare and Blue Cross websites

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) strive to provide Medicare enrollees with the most accurate information when choosing a provider or any other health care professional. **Medicare.gov** is the official U.S. Government website for the Medicare program and may have provider information that is either outdated or incorrect. Keeping your practice location as well as your affiliation with a group practice up to date ensures that your information is current.

In order to provide Medicare enrollees access to current information regarding medical professionals, Blue Cross is asking that you validate your information within the **Medicare.gov** website and if necessary, make corrections to outdated or incorrect information. Having incorrect information displayed within **Medicare.gov** may limit enrollees' ability to find or contact your practice.

To validate your information for Medicare

Review your information using the following web address:

<http://medicare.gov/find-a-doctor/staticpages/provider-resources/note.aspx>

If you need to make corrections, please follow the steps provided on the official website.

To update your information for Blue Cross

Blue Cross has also made it as easy as possible to maintain the most accurate information about all providers in order for enrollees to have access to the most up to date information about your practice. Please remember to update the appropriate Blue Cross form at the same time you update Medicare.

To access the various forms go to **providers.bluecrossmn.com** and select "Forms & publications" then "forms: admin updates and contracting." Examples of some of the forms are as follows:

Contract Request Form

Individual Practitioner Addition/Termination/Change Form

Provider Clinic or Branch Closure Form

Provider Demographic Change Form

Tax Identification Change Form

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or toll free at **1-800-262-0820**.