## **PROVIDER BULLETIN** PROVIDER INFORMATION



September 1, 2022

## Medicare Requirements for Reporting Provider Demographic Changes

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) collaborates with providers to ensure accurate information is reflected in all provider directories. In accordance with Medicare requirements, Blue Cross is required to maintain accurate provider network directories for the benefit of our Subscribers.

Blue Cross requires providers to inform Blue Cross when any of the following changes occur:

- Accepting new patients
- Address and Phone Number changes
- Office hours or other changes that affect availability
- Tax ID changes
- Practitioner additions or terminations
- Provider specialties
- Branch additions

The appropriate form for each of these changes or updates can be located on the Blue Cross website at <u>bluecrossmn.com/providers/provider-demographic-updates</u>

Providers are obligated, per federal requirements, to update provider information contained in the National Plan & Provider Enumeration System (NPPES). Updating provider information in NPPES will provide organizations with access to a current database that can be used as a resource to improve provider directory reliability and accuracy. Providers with questions pertaining to NPPES may reference NPPES help at <a href="https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/webhelp/nppeshelp/HOME%20PAGE-SIGN%20IN%20PAGE.html">https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/webhelp/nppeshelp/HOME%20PAGE-SIGN%20IN%20PAGE.html</a>

## **Questions?**

Please contact provider services at (651) 662-5200 or 1-800-262-0820.