

# PROVIDER BULLETIN

## PROVIDER INFORMATION



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### New 2024 Practitioner Credentialing Requirements Delayed Indefinitely

Revision: Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota will not be implementing new practitioner credentialing requirements at this time. These were initially communicated in Provider Bulletin P2-24, *New Practitioner Credentialing Requirements Beginning in 2024*, published on January 2, 2024. Providers will receive 90-day notice of the implementation date once it has been determined.

Below is the information that was previously published on January 2, 2024.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota (Blue Cross) is implementing new credentialing processes and requirements. Specifically, Blue Cross will begin a multi-year project to credential all licensed practitioners that do not exclusively practice in a credentialed facility, hospital, or other inpatient setting, according to the two schedules below.

#### SCHEDULE 1: Practitioners already enrolled with Blue Cross as Participating

Licensed Practitioners <i>that don't solely practice in a hospital, credentialed facility, or other inpatient setting</i>		
Practitioner Type	Time period for requesting credentialing applications	Latest date for providers to submit requested credentialing applications
Audiologists	April 2024	July 31, 2024
Speech Therapists	May 2024	August 31, 2024
Occupational Therapists	June and July 2024	October 31, 2024
Dietitians	August through October 2024	January 31, 2025
Pathologists	November 2024	February 28, 2025
Radiologists	December 2024 through February 2025	May 31, 2025
Anesthesiologists (including CRNAs)	March 2025 through June 2025	September 30, 2025

Providers should not submit a credentialing application until specifically requested by the Blue Cross Credentialing team.

Once credentialing is requested, Blue Cross will send up to three monthly reminders to providers that have not yet submitted the requested credentialing application(s).

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**SCHEDULE 2: Practitioners NOT already enrolled with Blue Cross as Participating**

Licensed Practitioners <i>that don't solely practice in a hospital, credentialed facility, or other inpatient setting</i>		
Practitioner Type	Time period for requesting credentialing applications	Latest date for providers to submit requested credentialing applications
Audiologists	April 2024	N/A for initial credentialing  <i>Please allow Blue Cross up to 45 calendar days for initial credentialing applications to be processed.</i>
Speech Therapists	May 2024	
Occupational Therapists	June 2024	
Dietitians	August 2024	
Pathologists	November 2024	
Radiologists	December 2024	
Anesthesiologists (including CRNAs)	March 2025	

**Delegated Providers**

The schedules above do not apply to credentialing delegates (i.e., providers that hold a delegated credentialing agreement with Blue Cross). Rather, Blue Cross will meet with delegates separately throughout 2025 to determine the delegate's current credentialing status for these practitioner types along with developing an agreed upon implementation schedule as applicable.

**Questions?**

Please contact Provider Services at **651-662-5200** or **1-800-262-0820**.