

Dear **Ancillary** Provider,

Welcome to the Ancillary Provider Credentialing and Contracting process!

If you do not already have a Facility/Provider Record ID established with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas that matches your billing information (Billing NPI and Tax Identification Number), you must complete the [Ancillary Provider Record Request Form](#) first, located under the **Provider Onboarding Process** on our [How to Join /Network Participation](#) page, to set up your BCBSTX Provider Record ID.

Obtaining a BCBSTX Facility/Provider Record ID does not automatically activate the Blue Choice PPO<sup>SM</sup>, Blue Essentials<sup>SM</sup>, Blue Advantage HMO<sup>SM</sup>, Blue Premier<sup>SM</sup>, MyBlue Health<sup>SM</sup>, Blue Cross Medicare Advantage (HMO)<sup>SM</sup>, Blue Cross Medicare Advantage (PPO)<sup>SM</sup> and/or Medicaid (STAR), CHIP and STAR Kids networks.

Claims will be processed out-of-network until the provider has been approved and activated in the network. If you wish to be a contracted provider, you will need to complete the **Credentialing/Recredentialing Ancillary/Hospital Provider Questionnaire** located under the **Credentialing and Contracting Process for Ancillary Providers** section of the [How to Join/Network Participation](#) page and include the licensing, liability insurance, accreditation and additional information requirements included below.

## **TEXAS SKILLED NURSING FACILITY CREDENTIALING CRITERIA CHECKLIST**

*Please return the following documents along with your completed  
Credentialing/Recredentialing Ancillary/Hospital Provider Questionnaire:*

<b>Ancillary Specialty Checklist - Skilled Nursing Facility</b>		
<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Requirement(s)</b>	<b>Verification Source(s)</b>
<b>Licensure</b>	A current and valid license that is applicable to the type of facility from an appropriate state licensing agency that has not been restricted, revoked, terminated, probated or suspended.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Copy of license</li> </ul>
<b>Professional Liability Coverage</b>	Current general or medical professional liability coverage of at least \$200,000 per occurrence \$600,000 in aggregate is required for each applying location. Evidence of coverage must have the amount of coverage and expiration date documented.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insurance face sheet indicating amount of coverage and expiration date; or</li> </ul>
<b>Accreditation Organization</b>  <b>OR</b>  <b>CMS Certification</b>	Current accreditation from the following nationally accepted accrediting body: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Joint Commission (JC)</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> Current certification from the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CMS certification</li> </ul> In lieu of accreditation, CMS Certification is required along with TX Department of Aging and Disability Services on site survey within last 3 years with no deficiencies or documentation (Notice of Accepted Plan of Correction) that a correction action plan for the identified deficiencies was submitted and accepted as all deficiencies corrected.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Copy of accreditation report or letter; and</li> <li>• CMS certification/letter; and</li> <li>• Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) approval letter or on site survey</li> </ul>
<b>Tax ID</b>	Signed and dated W-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Copy of W-9</li> </ul>
<b>NPI</b>	NPI Enumeration email or letter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Copy of NPI Enumeration email or letter</li> </ul>

**Please submit above required documents along with completed  
Credentialing/Recredentialing Ancillary/Hospital Provider Questionnaire  
within 30 days to:**

**Email: [AncillaryContracting\\_SW@BCBSTX.com](mailto:AncillaryContracting_SW@BCBSTX.com)**