#### Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota

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# What type of pharmacy contracts are offered?

- Medical: Durable medical equipment (DME) & Vaccines
- Medication Therapy Management (MTM):
  - a. Commercial
  - b. Medicaid
  - c. Medicare Part D (an additional addendum that specifically outlines requirements for the Medicare population will be included)

#### What are the requirements to obtain any pharmacy contract?

- 1. An active, unrestricted Minnesota Pharmacist license
- 2. Be enrolled with DHS prior to applying for a Blue Cross contract, if not enrolled, the application will be denied.
- 3. A NPI or UMPI number
- 4. A Registered pharmacist degree (RPH) for Medical, commercial and Medicaid MTM contracts
- 5. Have a physical address in Minnesota or the bordering counties

#### What are the additional requirements for MTM contracts?

- 1. Have a Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm D) degree for Medicare Part D MTM contract
- Graduated from a college of pharmacy after May 1996 or passed a DHS approved Accreditation Council of Pharmacy Education (ACPE) program that has both didactic and clinical elements. To see a list of the approved courses, refer to the MHCP Pharmacy Program – Medication Therapy Management Education Requirements (PDF)
- 6. Practice in a pharmacy or other place of business that meets the pharmacy privacy requirements or in an ambulatory care setting, such as a clinic or hospital, as part of a multidisciplinary team
- 7. Have a structured member care process allowing for assessment, development of a care plan and evaluation

- 8. Use an electronic Medication Therapy Management Services (MTMS) documentation system that is specifically designed to optimize the therapeutic outcomes of the Member's medications
- 9. Provide a copy of diploma or Accreditation Council of Pharmacy Education (ACPE) program completion certificate to Blue Cross upon request

## **Contract Application Steps:**

# Step 1: Complete the contract application and practitioner change forms:

- Contract Request Form: make sure to indicate one of types: MTM Medicare Part D, Commercial/Medicaid MTM or the pharmacy Medical DME/Vaccines
- MN Uniform Practitioner Change Form for each person providing services at the location(s)

Don't forget to attach a W9 tax document for the group

# Step 2: Save information and submit forms to Blue Cross Blue Shield's Provider Relations & Credentialing team:

- Email forms to: provider.enrollment.and.credentialing@bluecrossmn.com
- Mail forms to:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Provider - PDO PO Box 982809 El Paso, TX 79998-2809

#### Step 3: Forms will be screened to validate the above stated requirements are met

### **Step 4: Notification of approval/denial:**

- The process for approved contract requests can take between 60-90 days. The timing is dependent on whether facility or practitioner credentialing by Blue Cross is needed. The Blue Cross Credentialing team will notify you via email if credentialing is required
- The contract effective date will be specified by Blue Cross and sent to individual for signature(s)

- Once signed and returned, administrative processes will proceed to ensure individual(s) are active in our network
- This process can take up to 30-45 days
- A representative will advise when claims may be submitted.