



Dear Blue Shield Network IPA/Medical Group/Practitioner:

Blue Shield of California and Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan has established a new process for updating and attesting to the accuracy of your provider directory information on Provider Connection:

1. Attestation to the accuracy of your provider directory information on Provider Connection every 90 days.
2. Updates to your provider directory information via the:
 - o Provider & Practitioner Profiles section on Provider Connection.
 - o Provider Data Validation Spreadsheet downloaded from Provider Connection.

We have created the companion guide below to assist you with completing the Provider Data Validation spreadsheet. If after reviewing the companion guide you still have questions, please contact Provider Customer Service at:

- o Provider Customer Service: (800) 541-6652
- o Blue Shield Promise: (800) 468-9935
- o Provider Customer Service Email: ProviderCC@blueshieldca.com

Following the submission of a bulk file, a manual review will be conducted, and notifications will be sent accordingly. Please be advised that there will be no prior communication when a file is placed into manual review. An email notification will be sent upon the completion of the manual review process.

Once training has been completed, the portal will be the designated method for submitting demographic additions, modifications, and terms.

Sincerely,
Provider Information and Enrollment
Blue Shield of California

How this companion guide is organized:

This companion guide begins with important general overview information about the Provider Data Validation spreadsheet and will then go into detail for each tab. **Tab details within the companion guide are organized in the following way:**

- A table describing Blue Shield pre-populated data in order of appearance on each tab.
- A table providing definitions and instructions for making changes to editable fields on each tab.

Provider Data Validation Spreadsheet Overview:

1. **Provider General** = Medical group, IPA, IPA roster member, or individual practitioner information. The provider type column can be used to differentiate data for the medical group, IPA, and IPA roster members. Please note, data on this tab may vary depending on contract type(s).
 - Capitated IPA
 - Promise Capitated IPA
 - Physician Group Practice
 - Practitioner
 - Allied Specialty (i.e. Psychologist, Optometrist, etc.)
 - Clinic Outpatient (note, FQHC's will reflect this Provider Type)
2. **Practitioner General** = Practitioners that have an active relationship with the IPA or Medical Group.
3. **Validation Contacts** = Contact information of the person responsible for completing the Provider Data Validation spreadsheet.
4. **Support** = Link to the Learning Resources page where the Provider Data Validation Companion Guide can be downloaded.

Each tab contains a series of fields that correspond to the tab name and the demographic information we have on file for your organization at the time the Provider Data Validation spreadsheet was downloaded from Provider Connection. If a primary care provider (PCP) wishes to terminate a provider and assign a new PCP for a member, please email the PRC with the details of the new assigned PCP. Additionally, ensure that the new PCP is current and listed in your roster before proceeding.

Pre-populated fields that cannot be overwritten or edited are found under blue header columns (A,B,C,D, and E). Other fields within the file may be edited to make necessary updates or add missing demographic data. Certain fields must be completed with Blue Shield predefined values. The instructions will indicate the fields where these are necessary, and you will be supplied with the values. Drop-down menus can be found in certain areas of the spreadsheet and should be used where available.

Follow the instructions below to update provider directory information contained within the Provider Data Validation spreadsheet. When reviewing and revising the spreadsheet, the below actions are **not** allowed:

- Adding or deleting columns
- Adding or deleting tabs
- Deleting existing columns or rows
- Changing or deleting column headers

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	Physician Group Practice	<p>To add a new location for the group, in a blank row:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In column A, mirror the Provider Tax Identification Number found on the spreadsheet. In column B, mirror the Provider Organization Name found on the spreadsheet. In column C, type: Physician Group Practice Select Add under the Service Location Add/Term/Update column. Complete all <i>required</i> service location address fields: address, city, state, zip, and phone number. Address must be a physical location recognized by USPS. <p>Note: if adding a new service location for the group, add all roster members practicing at the location on the Practitioner General tab. A minimum of one roster member must be submitted along with the location addition.</p>
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Service Location Term Date	Date the service location became inactive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Termination date is required when Term is selected in the Service Location Add/Term/Update column. Future termination dates cannot be applied. Format date as: MM/DD/YYYY (example 01/01/2024). 	

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Service Location ZIP*	ZIP where services are rendered. 5 digits only (no +4).														
Service Location Wheelchair Accessible	<p>Click in the cell to activate the drop-down menu and select either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes = Service location is wheelchair accessible • No = Service location is NOT wheelchair accessible 														
Service Location Office Phone*	<p>Phone number for the service location where members can make appointments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acceptable formats are XXX-XXX-XXXX or XXXXXXXXXX. • No spaces or other special characters may be added to the number. 														
Service Location Office Fax	<p>Non-member facing fax number for the service location used for health plan correspondence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acceptable formats are XXX-XXX-XXXX or XXXXXXXXXX. • No spaces or other special characters may be added to the number. 														
Service Location Office Hours	<p>Office hours of service location.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter days as: MON; TUES; WED; THU; FRI; SAT; SUN • Enter office hours in standard (12 hour) or world (24 hour) time. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Standard: 8:30am-5:00pm ○ World: 0830-1700 • To indicate closed hours, enter: X-X 														

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<p>Service Location - Types of Gender Affirming Care Provided</p>	<p>If applicable, enter or copy/paste the respective "ZG" codes for gender affirming care services offered by the group using the options below. Separate each entry with a comma.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Body Modification (ZG17) • Breast Augmentation (ZG03) • Electrolysis / Laser Hair Removal (ZG18) • Facial feminization surgery (ZG05) • Gender-affirming gynecological care (ZG14) • General Routine Care (ZG21) • Hair Transplant (ZG16) • Hand Therapy following phalloplasty (ZG19) • Hormone therapy related to gender dysphoria (ZG13) • Hysterectomy / Oophorectomy (ZG06) • Male chest reconstruction (ZG04) • Mental Health Therapy/Counseling (ZG22) • Metoidioplasty (ZG09) • Orchiectomy (ZG07) • Pelvic Floor Therapy following vaginoplasty (ZG20) • Phalloplasty (ZG10) • Scrotoplasty (ZG11) • Vaginoplasty (ZG08) • Voice feminization surgery (ZG12) • Voice therapy related to gender dysphoria (ZG15)
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<p>Service Location Clinical Staff Languages</p>	<p>Language(s), other than English, spoken by staff at the site where member receives care. If more than one language is entered, separate each language with a comma.</p>

Service Location Telehealth	<p>Click in the cell to activate the drop-down menu and select either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only telehealth services provided at this location. • Telehealth & in-person services provided at this location. • In-person services only provided at this location
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Home Visits Only	<p>Please enter Yes or No.</p>
Service Location QMI – Spanish Service Location QMI – Russian Service Location QMI – Mandarin Service Location QMI - Korean Service Location QMI – Cantonese Service Location QMI - Vietnamese	<p>Click in the cell to activate the drop-down menu and select either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes – the specified language is offered by a Qualified Medical Interpreter (QMI). • No - specified language is NOT offered by a Qualified Medical Interpreter (QMI). <p>Note: The interpreter must have a QMI certification if Yes is selected.</p>

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<p>Ethnicity</p>	<p>Practitioner's ethnicity. If more than one ethnicity is entered, separate each entry with a comma.</p> <p>Ethnicity options are: Amerasian, American Indian/Alaska Native American, Asian Indian, Asian/Pacific Islander, Black/African American, Cambodian, Caucasian, Chinese, Cuban, Filipino, Guamanian, Guatemalan, Hawaiian, Hispanic/Latino, Hmong, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Mexican, Mexican American or Chicano/a, Other, Other Asian, Other Hispanic/Latino, Puerto Rican, Salvadoran, Samoan, Unknown, Vietnamese.</p>
<p>Practitioner Language(s)</p>	<p>Language(s), other than English, spoken by the practitioner. If more than one language is entered, separate each language with a comma.</p> <p>See list of eligible languages under Practitioner Language Values.</p>
<p>Hospital Based</p>	<p>Click in the cell to activate the drop-down menu and select either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes = Practitioner is hospital-based • No = Practitioner is NOT hospital-based <p>This is an NCQA/credentialing requirement.</p>
<p>Areas of Expertise</p>	<p>See list of area of expertise options below. If applicable, enter one or more areas of expertise. Separate each entry with a comma. Only these values are allowed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic illness • HIV/AIDS • Serious mental illness • Homelessness • Deaf or hard of hearing • Blind or visually impaired • Cooccurring disorders
<p>Supervising Physician NPI (if applicable)</p>	<p>NPI of the licensed physician who engages in direct supervision where required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required for all Physician Assistant adds. • Required for all Nurse Practitioner adds unless NP has qualification of "Nurse Practitioner independent group setting across lifespan" on licensure. <p>Note: Only one supervising physician NPI may be added. If the NP/PA has multiple supervising physicians, please submit a separate request to Provider Information & Enrollment at BSCProviderInfo@blueshieldca.com to add the additional physicians.</p>
<p>Areas of Special Interest</p>	<p>See list of areas of special interest options below. If applicable, enter one or more areas of expertise. Separate each entry with a comma. Only these values are allowed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Abuse (Physical/Sexual/Emotional) ○ Addiction (non-chemical such as gambling) ○ Adjustment Disorder ○ Adoption ○ Anger Management ○ Anxiety ○ Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) ○ Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) ○ Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) ○ Bariatric/Gastric Bypass Psych Evaluation

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Population Served	<p>See list of population served options below. If applicable, enter one or more areas of expertise. Separate each entry with a comma. Only these values are allowed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LGBTQ+ Community ○ Police/Fire Fighters ○ Transgender ○ Adult ○ Family Therapy ○ Group Therapy ○ Preschool (0-5) ○ Children (6-12) ○ Adolescents (13-18) ○ Senior

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<p>* Indicates a required field for new practitioner or new location add.</p>	
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Service Location Lowest Age	<p>Age of youngest patient accepted. Whole number only.</p> <p>* Required for all IPA roster members.</p>
Service Location Highest Age	<p>Age of oldest patient accepted. Whole number only, up to 3 digits allowed.</p> <p>* Required for all IPA roster members.</p>
Service Location Gender Limit	<p>Click in the cell to activate the drop-down menu and select:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BOTH = Practitioner accepts both male and female patients M = Practitioner accepts male patients only F = Practitioner accepts female patients only <p>* Required for all IPA roster members.</p>
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Home Visits Only	Please enter Yes or No.
Enrolled in Medi-Cal	<p>Is the practitioner enrolled in Medi-Cal. Click in the cell to activate the drop-down menu and select either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No
Medi-Cal Orientation Received	<p>If the practitioner is enrolled in Medi-Cal, was Medi-Cal Orientation completed. Click in the cell to activate the drop-down menu, and select either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No
Medi-Cal Orientation Date	<p>If applicable, populate the date Medi-Cal Orientation was completed (NPO training date).</p> <p>Note: Medi-Cal orientation dates are not required for PPO groups.</p>

Validation_Contacts Tab

Provider Organization Tax Identification Number	Tax ID of provider organization. (IPA or Medical Group Tax ID, or Practitioners Tax ID/SSN)
Provider Organization Name	Name of contracted provider organization entity. (IPA, Medical Group, or Practitioner Name)
Provider Type	<p>Provider type corresponding to taxonomy.</p> <p>Note: field may be blank, not required to populate.</p>
Provider Email	<p>Email address of individual(s) responsible for validation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the email address populated is incorrect or no longer valid, overwrite with corrected email address for the person(s) responsible for completing validation spreadsheets. • Information will be used for outreach and validation purposes specifically.

Appendix

Service Location Specialty Values

Service Location Specialty Values (Non-MD)	
Audiologist	Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor
Certified Acupuncturist	Marriage Family Therapist
Certified Behavioral Analyst Doctorate	Naturopathic Physician
Certified Behavioral Analyst Masters	Occupational Therapist
Certified Feldenkrais Practitioner	Optometrist
Certified Midwife (Non-RN)	Oral Maxillofacial Surgeon
Certified Nurse Practitioner	Orthodontics
Certified Ocularist / Dispensing Optician	Orthotist / Prosthetist Supplier
Certified Orthotist	Pedodontics
Certified Prosthetist	Periodontics
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	Physician Assistant
Certified Registered Nurse Midwife	Podiatrist
Chiropractor	Prosthodontics
Clinical Neuropsychologist	Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
Clinical Nurse Specialist	Psychologist
Diabetes Educator	Registered Dietitian / Nutritionist
Endodontics	Registered Nurse Licensed Vocational Nurse
General Dentistry	Registered Physical Therapist
Genetic Counselor	Registered Psychiatric Nurse
Hearing Aid Dealer / Supplier	Respiratory Therapist
Licensed Clinical Social Worker	Speech Pathologist

Service Location Specialty Values (MD/DO)	
Addictive Medicine	Pathology Anatomic
Adolescent Medicine	Pathology Anatomic Clinical
Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology	Pathology Clinical
Aerospace Medicine	Pathology Forensic
Allergy Immunology	Pediatric Allergy / Immunology
Anesthesiology	Pediatric Cardiology
Anesthesiology Critical Care Medicine	Pediatric Critical Care Medicine
Anesthesiology Pain Management	Pediatric Dermatology
Blood Banking	Pediatric Emergency Medicine
Cardiac Electrophysiology	Pediatric Endocrinology
Cardiovascular Disease	Pediatric Gastroenterology
Clinical Cytogenetics	Pediatric Hematology / Oncology
Complex Family Planning	Pediatric Infectious Diseases
Cytopathology	Pediatric Medical Toxicology
Dermatology	Pediatric Nephrology
Dermatology Dermatopathology	Pediatric Pathology

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Dermatology Pathology	Pediatric Radiology
Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics	Pediatric Rheumatology
Diagnostic Laboratory Allergy / Immunology	Pediatric Sports Medicine
Emergency Medicine	Pediatric Surgery Orthopedic
Endocrinology Metabolism Diabetes	Pediatric Transplant Hepatology
Endocrinology Reproductive	Pediatrics
Family Practice	Pharmacology Clinical
Family Practice Geriatric Medicine	Phlebology
Family Practice Sports Medicine	Phys Med/ Rehab Pain Medicine
Female Pelvic Med and Reconstructive Surg	Phys Med/ Rehab Sports Medicine
Gastroenterology	Physical Medicine / Rehabilitation
General Practice	Plastic Surgery Within the Head and Neck
Genetics Clinical	Preventative Medicine General
Genetics Clinical Biochemical	Psychiatry
Genetics Clinical Biochemical Molecular	Psychiatry Child
Genetics Clinical Molecular	Psychiatry Forensic
Genetics Medical	Psychiatry Geriatric
Gynecologic Oncology	Psychiatry Hospice / Palliative Medicine
Gynecology	Psychiatry Pain Medicine
Hematology / Oncology	Psychiatry Sleep Medicine
Hematology / Pathology	Public Health Preventative Medicine
Hepatology	Pulmonary Diseases
Hospice and Palliative Medicine	Radiation Oncology
Hospitalist MD/DO	Radiological Physics
Immunopathology	Radiology Diagnostic
Infectious Disease	Radiology Nuclear
Internal Medicine	Radiology Therapeutic
Internal Medicine Critical Care Medicine	Rheumatology
Internal Medicine Geriatric Medicine	Sleep Medicine
Internal Medicine Sports Medicine	Surgery Colon Surgery
Interventional Cardiology	Surgery Critical Care
Maternal and Fetal Medicine	Surgery General
Medical Oncology	Surgery General Vascular
Medical Toxicology Emergency Medicine	Surgery Hand
Microbiology Medical	Surgery Hand Orthopedic
Neonatal / Perinatal Medicine	Surgery Hand Plastic
Nephrology	Surgery Head
Neurodevelopmental Disabilities	Surgery Neurological
Neurology	Surgery Orthopedic
Neurology Child	Surgery Pediatric
Neurology Critical Care Medicine	Surgery Plastic
Neuromuscular Medicine	Surgery Thoracic
Neuropathology	Surgery Trauma / Critical Care
Neurophysiology Clinical	Surgical Oncology

Nuclear Medicine	Transplant Surgery
Obstetrics	Undersea Medicine
Obstetrics / Gynecology	Urology
Occupational Medicine	
Ophthalmology	
Ophthalmology / Otology / Laryngology / Rhinology	
Osteopathic Manipulative Therapy	
Otolaryngology	
Otology	

Practitioner Language Values

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Achinese	Flemish	Kru languages	Serbo-Croatian
Afrikaans	French	Kurdish	Shanghainese
Albanian	Fukienese	Lao	Sign Language
Amharic	Gaelic	Latin	Sindhi
Arabic	German	Latvian	Sinhala
Armenian	Greek	Lithuanian	Slovak
Assamese	Gujarati	Macedonian	South Indian
Assyrian	Haida	Malagasy	Spanish
Asyriac	Hakka	Malay	Swahili
Bengali	Hausa	Malayalam	Swatow
Bulgarian	Hawaiian	Mandarin	Swedish
Burmese	Hebrew	Marathi	Syriac
Cebuano	Hindi	Mien	Tagalog
Chamorro	Hindustani	Modern	Taiwanese
Chinese	Hmong	Mongolian	Tamil
Chinese	Hungarian	Navajo	Telugu
Croatian	Igbo	Nepali	Thai
Czech	Ilocano	Nigerian	Taishanese
Danish	Iloko	Norwegian	Tongan
Dutch	Indonesian	Oriya	Turkish
Egyptian	Isujarati	Persian	Twi
English	Italian	Polish	Ukrainian
Estonian	Japanese	Portuguese	Urdu
Ewe	Kannada	Punjabi	Vietnamese
Faroese	Kashmiri	Pushto	Wu Chinese
Farsi	Khmer	Quechua	Yiddish
Fataleka	Kirghiz	Romanian	Yue Chinese
Fijian	Kiswahili	Russian	Yugoslavian
Filipino	Konkani	Samoan	Zairean
Finnish	Korean	Serbian	Zuni