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Overview

Clarify Health by Clarify Health Solutions[®] provides physician organization, practice unit and provider-level assessments of efficiency and quality as compared to national benchmarks. It includes risk-adjusted standardized costs, scores and patient-level detail for populations that are attributed to primary care providers and specialty providers.

This information will help groups to:

- Identify where they're over- or under-performing compared to case-mix adjusted benchmarks.
- Determine the impact of bringing areas of underperformance in line with benchmarks.
- Determine where to focus performance improvement efforts for the greatest impact.

For more information, see clarifyhealth.com/solutions/providers.*

Set up access to Clarify Health

These tasks must be completed by your organization's Availity[®] Essentials administrator, not by each Clarify Health user.

Tips:

 Make sure your organization is registered with Availity Essentials. For more information, see the <u>Register for web tools</u> page on **bcbsm.com**.



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• Organizations that have already registered with Availity Essentials can determine who their administrator is by seeing "Find your Availity Essentials administrator" on page 5.

Task 1: Assign the clinician role in Availity Essentials

- 1. Log in to Availity Essentials.*
- 2. On the upper-right side of the screen, click on your account and choose Maintain user.
- 3. Do one of the following:
 - If you're the Availity Essentials administrator for a single business (organization), skip to step 4.
 - If you're the Availity Essentials administrator for multiple businesses (organizations), select the organization to which the user whose data needs to appear in Clarify Health is assigned.
- 4. Click the user's name.
- 5. Click View/edit under the "Roles" column for the organization to which the user is assigned.
- 6. Select the "Clinician" role.
- 7. Scroll to the bottom and click Save.

Task 2: Identify the physicians for whom reporting will be available in Clarify Health

To view information for an entire physician organization or Blueprint risk-bearing contracted entity, or RBCE, through Clarify Health, follow these steps.

- 1. Verify that you know your PO or IRBCE number. If you don't have this information, send an email to <u>tenochs@bcbsm.com</u> to request it. Once you have this information, proceed to the next step.
- 2. Click *Manage My Organization* under your account name in the top right of the menu bar.
- 3. Click Add Provider(s).
- 4. Mark the *This is an atypical provider and does not provide health care, as defined under HIPAA regulations* checkbox.

Important: For Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, atypical providers are groups that consist of multiple NPIs (for example, Physician Organizations, Managed Care Groups or Blueprint risk-bearing contracted entities).

5. Enter the organization's Tax ID and leave *EIN* selected in the Type field.



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- 6. Click Find Provider.
- 7. Choose Group/Facility as the Provider Type.
- 8. Enter a name for the physician organization or RBCE in the *Group Name/Facility Name* field.

Tip: If you're adding multiple entities that have similar names, be sure to add text to help identify each entity in drop-down lists throughout Availity Essentials. For example, you could append a number or other unique identifier to each facility name, such as Entity 1, Entity 2 and so on.

- 9. In the *Primary Specialty/Taxonomy* field, select any taxonomy code. It doesn't matter which one you choose.
- 10. Click Next.
- 11. Click Add Identifier.
- 12. Choose Payer Assigned Provider ID (PAPI) in the ID Type field.
- 13. Select BCBS Michigan and Blue Care Network in the Payer field.
- 14. Enter your PO or IRBCE number in the ID Number field.
- 15. Click Next and follow the prompts.

Task 3: Request access to Clarify Health through Availity Essentials

- 1. Click *Payer Spaces* on the Availity Essentials menu bar and then click the BCBSM and BCN logo.
- 2. In the Applications tab, click Additional Security Maintenance Blue Cross/BCN.
- 3. Click the Clarify Health Provisioning option.





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- 4. Select BCBS Michigan and Blue Care Network from the Organization drop-down list.
- 5. Select the providers associated with the PO or IRBCE number that is needed for Clarify Health from the *Select Provider(s)* drop-down list.
- 6. Click Submit Request.

Allow five to seven business days for us to process requests.

Check the status of a request

- 1. Log in to Availity Essentials.*
- 2. Click Payer Spaces in the menu bar and then click the BCBSM and BCN logo.
- 3. In the Applications tab, click Additional Security Maintenance Blue Cross/BCN.
- 4. Click the *History* tab.
- 5. Filter to view only actions related to Clarify Health.

The status of each request is noted in the *Status* column as Pending, Approved, Denied or Withdrawn.

If you have questions about a denied request, send them to <u>tenochs@bcbsm.com</u>. If you're having issues accessing Clarify Health through Availity Essentials, call Availity at 1-800-AVAILITY (282-4548).

Remove a provider from Clarify Health

- 1. Log in to Availity Essentials.*
- 2. Click Payer Spaces in the menu bar and then click the BCBSM and BCN logo.
- 3. In the Applications tab, click Additional Security Maintenance Blue Cross/BCN.
- 4. Click the *History* tab.
- 5. Filter to view only actions related to Clarify Health.
- Click the options menu for the appropriate request and choose *Withdraw*. The Withdrawn status indicates that the provider is no longer needed in your organization's Clarify Health access and can be removed — for example, the provider has transferred to another office or organization.



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Remove a user's access to Clarify Health

An Availity Essentials administrator should follow these steps to remove a user's access to Clarify Health.

- 1. Log in to Availity Essentials.*
- 2. Click Maintain User under your account name in the top right of the menu bar.
- 3. Enter the user's last name or user ID.

Links appear to the right of the user's name for each organization for which they have access to Clarify Health.

- 4. Click the link for the organization for which the user should no longer have access to Clarify Health data.
- 5. Under Roles, click View Edit.
- 6. Clear the checkbox for the Clinician role.
- 7. Click Save.

Find your Availity Essentials administrator

If you already have access to Availity Essentials:

- 1. Log in to Availity Essentials.*
- 2. Click your name (in the top navigation) and click My Account.
- 3. Click Organization(s).
- 4. Click Open My Administrators.

If you don't have access to Availity Essentials, call 1-800-AVAILITY (282-4548).

Questions

If you have questions, submit them by going to the PGIP Collaboration Site, selecting the PO or RBCE Issue Log, and selecting the *Clarify Health* category. The Blue Cross team will triage the questions and respond as quickly as possible.

*Clicking this link means that you're leaving the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network website. While we recommend this site, we're not responsible for its content.

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