

Mass Health Provider Enrollment Frequently Asked Questions

1. Question: Why do I now need to enroll with MassHealth as a provider? What has changed?

Answer: Changes in federal law require all MCE network providers to enroll with MassHealth. This means all MCE network providers must have two provider contracts in place – (1) a network provider contract with Mass General Brigham Health Plan; and (2) a provider contract with MassHealth.

MassHealth has developed a specific provider contract for this purpose, called the MassHealth Nonbilling Managed Care Entity (MCE) Network Only Provider Contract This specific provider contract does not require Mass General Brigham Health Plan network provider to render services to MassHealth fee-forservice members.

Providers may visit https://www.medicaid.gov for more information.

2. Question: How do I know if I need to sign a MassHealth provider contract?

Answer: MassHealth and Mass General Brigham Health Plan worked together to determine which Mass General Brigham Health Plan network providers do not currently have a MassHealth provider contract. If you received a notice from Mass General Brigham Health Plan, MassHealth and Mass General Brigham Health Plan have verified that you have not signed a MassHealth Provider Contract (used by fully participating fee-for-service providers) or a MassHealth Nonbilling Contract for Individuals (often used by ordering, referring and prescribing providers). As a result, you must enter into a MassHealth Nonbilling Managed Care Entity (MCE) Network Only Provider Contract at this time.

3. Question: When must I enroll with MassHealth?

Answer: Federal law sets forth the timeline for Mass General Brigham Health Plan providers to enroll with MassHealth. Under federal law, Mass General Brigham Health Plan may only hold a network provider contract with a provider for 120 days while that provider completes its enrollment with MassHealth. Mass General Brigham Health Plan must terminate a network provider either immediately after MassHealth notifies Mass General Brigham Health Plan that the network provider cannot be enrolled with MassHealth or after 120 days has passed and the provider has still not completed enrollment with MassHealth. Again, MassHealth has developed a specific provider contract, called the MassHealth Nonbilling Managed Care Entity (MCE) Network Only Provider Contract, to make this enrollment process as simple as possible for Mass General Brigham Health Plan network providers.

4. Question: If I already have signed a provider contract with another MCE or MassHealth, why do I need to sign another provider contract?

Answer: As explained above, federal regulations require that all Mass General Brigham Health Plan network providers enter a MassHealth provider contract. If you received a notice from Mass General Brigham Health Plan,



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5. Question: Can I enroll as a fully participating MassHealth provider instead?

Answer: If you want to enroll as a MassHealth fully-participating provider instead of as a MassHealth nonbilling MCE Network-only provider, and therefore be able to provide services to MassHealth fee-for-service members, visit https://www.mass.gov/service-details/masshealth-provider-regulations to review information on MassHealth program participatory regulations and contact MassHealth's Provider enrollment vendor at 800-841-2900 or providersupport@mahealth.net. Providers are encouraged to also notify Mass General Brigham Health Plan of their decision to enroll as a fully-participating provider.

6. Question: What is a nonbilling provider?

Answer: Nonbilling providers may provide services to MassHealth members but shall not submit claims to or receive payments from MassHealth. If you enter into the MassHealth Nonbilling Managed Care Entity (MCE) Network Only Provider Contract you will be a nonbilling provider. As a Mass General Brigham Health Plan network provider who signed this MassHealth contract, this means you may provide services to Mass General Brigham Health Plan enrollees, but you would not submit claims to or be paid by MassHealth. You will continue to submit claims to and be paid by Mass General Brigham Health Plan.