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## Consult code reminder

As of Jan. 1, 2010, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is no longer reimbursing for any reported consultation codes. As a result, Blue Care Network is not reimbursing these codes for BCN Advantage HMO<sup>SM</sup> and BCN 65 products. BCN will continue to pay these codes for BCN commercial products only until June 30, 2010. For more information, please read the article on Page 19 of the March-April *BCN Provider News* at [MiBCN.com/providernewsbcn](http://MiBCN.com/providernewsbcn).

## Healthy Advantage Rewards

For the most efficient and timely processing of the Healthy Advantage Rewards incentives, we recommend that you submit the required information electronically on Health e-Blue<sup>SM</sup>.

- **Physician Assessment** – Click *Panel – BCNA Physician Assessment* in the navigation bar.
- **Advance Directive Attestation** – click *Panel – Additional Form(s) Submission*, then select *Advance Directive* from the Form Type drop-down menu.
- **Flu and pneumonia vaccine** – Click *Panel – Treatment Opportunities by Condition/Measure*.

## Centers of Excellence now Blue Distinction Centers

Blue Care Network is aligning its Center of Excellence program with the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association's national Blue Distinction Centers for Specialty Care<sup>®</sup> program. BCN does not require use of a Blue Distinction center for specialty services, including bariatric surgery. For more information, please see Page 4 of the March-April *BCN Provider News* at [MiBCN.com/providernewsbcn](http://MiBCN.com/providernewsbcn).

## Physician Assessment form update

Several diagnosis code categories are not included on the paper version of the *Physician Assessment* form for the BCN Advantage HMO<sup>SM</sup> Healthy Advantage Rewards program. To avoid a delay in processing the form for your members, we recommend that you submit the electronic version of the form, which includes all diagnosis code categories. To access the form on Health e-Blue<sup>SM</sup>, click on *Panel – BCNA Physician Assessment* in the navigation bar.

## Medical care groups

**New name:** In future communications to our physicians and groups, you will notice that Blue Care Network is replacing references to primary care groups with the term *medical care group*.

### Important notes about enrollment and change forms:

- When applying as a new primary care physician or changing your status from PCP to specialist, BCN requires completion of the *BCN MCG Affiliation Form*. A link to this form is embedded in Page 4 of both the *New Practitioner Enrollment Form* and the *Practitioner Change Form*.
- This requirement applies to all physicians, including those not affiliated with an established group.
- The enrollment and change forms are located on [MiBCN.com](http://MiBCN.com) > *I am a provider* > *Enrollment > Physicians and Professionals*.

## Observe application and contract deadlines

Blue Care Network will deny applications for new lines of business for professional providers who do not attest within 14 days of their application that the information reported on CAQH is current. Our system will reflect the denial reason as “denied CAQH.”

Providers who receive their contracts by e-mail must sign and return the signature page within seven days. Providers who receive their contracts by U.S. Mail must sign and return the signature page within 10 days. Failure to return signature documents by the deadline will result in denial of the application.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact **(name)**

**Phone:**

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