

New Application Process for Joining Our Networks

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of TX (BCBSTX) welcomes providers to apply to join our networks. We want to make the process of applying for a BCBSTX provider record number id and join our networks even faster and easier. **Effective October 22, 2018**, instead of filling out our paper-based *BCBSTX Contract/Agreement Network Participation Online Request Form* or the separate *BCBSTX Provider Record ID Information Form Packet*, prospective providers will be able to fill out our new electronic *Provider Onboarding Form*. The change will streamline the application process and lessen the amount of time it takes to get a response.

This Provider Onboarding Form, will be used by BCBSTX to set up a provider record number and if indicated by the provider, request contracts for the networks they would like to participate in. Providers will be able to locate the new electronic *Provider Onboarding Form* on the [provider website](#) under [Network Participation/How to Join](#) section on our website on October 22, 2018.

The form should be filled out by the following interested providers:

- Individual providers that would be new to our networks
- Groups and clinics that would be new to our networks
- Existing contracted groups or clinics who are adding a new provider

If you have any questions, or if you need additional information, please go to our [provider website](#) or contact your local BCBSTX [Network Management Representative](#).