

Puerto Rico Medicaid Management Information System (PRMMIS)

| CRNA and PA Enrollment Requirements | Policy No.: | PRMMIS – PRV-0011 |
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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to describe the enrollment and collaborating requirements of Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) and Physician Assistants (PAs) who render, order, or make referrals for covered services to beneficiaries of the Puerto Rico Medicaid Program (PRMP).

To be in compliance with the 42 CFR §455.410, Puerto Rico Medicaid Program (PRMP) requires all ordering or referring physicians, or other professional providing services under the State plan or under a waiver of the plan, to be enrolled as participating provider.

| Acronyms/Term | Definition | | |
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| CHIP | Children's Health Insurance Program | | |
| CMS | Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services | | |
| Collaboration | Is a process in which a non-physician practitioner works with one or more physicians to deliver healthcare services within the scope of the practitioner's expertise, with medical direction and appropriate supervision as provided for in jointly developed guidelines or other mechanism, as provided by the law of the State in which the services are performed. | | |
| CRNA | Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist | | |
| NPI | National Provider Identifier | | |
| OPR | Ordering, Prescribing, Referring | | |
| PA | Physician Assistant | | |
| Physician | A Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathy, as set forth in section $1861(r)(1)$ of the Act). | | |
| PRMMIS | Puerto Rico Medicaid Management Information System | | |
| PRMP | Puerto Rico Medicaid Program | | |

Scope

All references to the PRMP in this policy are inclusive of Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). This policy covers CRNAs and PAs enrolling in the PRMP (including out-of-state providers).

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CRNA Requirements

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PRMP requires that a CRNA be enrolled as an Individual within a Group and provide services under the supervision of a collaborating physician.

PA Requirements

PRMP requires that the PA be enrolled as an Individual within a Group or an Ordering, Prescribing, Referring (OPR) providers and provide services under the supervision of a collaborating physician.

Upon enrollment, they must associate themselves to the billing provider National Provider Identifier (NPI). The NPI of the Collaborating Physician is required on the claim as the supervising provider for reimbursement.

The CRNA and PA must have a collaborative agreement with a licensed physician in accordance with the requirements of PRMP. The Collaborating Physician Attestation Form must be uploaded with the enrollment application. If the collaborating physician becomes excluded from Medicaid, the collaborative agreement is considered terminated for the purpose of the Medicaid Program.

When a collaborative agreement is terminated with the physician, the CRNA, PA, and collaborating physician must notify PRMP of the effective date of termination within 30 days. The CRNA and PA will be terminated unless they provide a new attestation form.

The following rules apply for the CRNA and PA arrangements:

- Must be licensed by the state in which they render services
- Is legally authorized to perform the services in the state in which they are performed
- Collaborating Physician arrangements must be in writing and must be kept on file with the provider

References

The following Medicare guidance was used as a basis for this policy:

42 CFR §410.74 Physician Assistant's services

42 CFR §410.75-Nurse Practitioner's services

42 CFR §410.76 Clinical Nurse Specialist Services

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