



Network Notification

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To: Participating Primary Care Providers and Advanced Practice Nurses

From: CareSource

Subject: Advanced Practice Nurses to be contracted as Primary Care Providers

As part of our ongoing commitment to timely and clearly articulated communication of policy or process changes, the information listed below supplements current policies to include those listed in the CareSource Provider Manual.

“Advanced practice nurse” means a certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner as provided in division (O) of section 4723.01 of the Revised Code.

Advanced Practice Nurses (APNs) who are currently being contracted and credentialed across the state of Ohio and who have advanced training and education in certain specialized areas of health care may serve as Primary Care Providers (PCPs). The specialized areas for the PCP designation include Certified Family Nurse Practitioner, Certified Adult Nurse Practitioner, Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Certified Geriatric Nurse Practitioner, Certified Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist, Certified Adult Health Clinical Nurse Specialist.

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APNs who have an existing contract with CareSource can request PCP designation via an email message to:

- ProviderMaintenance@caresource.com

Advanced Practice Nurses who are not currently in the CareSource network and are seeking PCP designation may submit their NPI number and CAQH number to the CareSource Contract Implementation Specialist through any of the following methods:

- Email: Contract.Implement@caresource.com
- Fax: 937-396-3632
- Certified mail with return receipt to:
CareSource
230 North Main Street
Dayton, Ohio 45402
Attn: Contract Implementation Specialist