

# New Provider Enrollment Questions and Answers

## **How do I enroll as an Ohio Medicaid Provider?**

If you are reading this document, you have come to the right place. In order to become an Ohio Medicaid Provider, you must complete a web-based electronic application. Ohio does not accept paper applications. Our web-based provider application is designed to walk you through the steps in order to submit all the information that the Ohio Medicaid program needs to enroll you as a new provider.

## **How do I begin?**

First, you should open the following link: "[Ohio Medicaid Online Application](#)" to access Ohio Medicaid's online application. From the main screen, you will need to select one of the radial buttons at the bottom of the screen.

On the next screen you will be asked to select your Enrollment Type, Action Request and Provider Type. For example, if you are a doctor, nurse or an individual that wants to provide services to someone living in their own home, you should select "individual practitioner." The system will then ask you to select the appropriate action request and provider type. Your selection of "Provider Type" response is extremely important. If you are unsure of what provider type to request, you should contact the Enrollment/Revalidation Hotline at 1-800-686-1516 for additional information on additional resources that can help you make this determination.

After you have entered your basic demographic information, the system will issue you an Application Tracking Number (ATN). You should record this ATN immediately, because it will serve as your secure key to return to your application or to track it through the enrollment process.

The web-based application will take you through a series of screens depending on your provider type. Be sure to read and answer the questions correctly. Whoever knowingly and willfully makes false statements or representations on this application may be prosecuted under applicable federal or state laws.

Once you have completed the application, the system will provide information regarding next steps. Your next steps could include uploading or submitting additional documentation necessary for enrollment. Failure to submit the documents as required could cause your application to not be processed and you will have to begin the process all over again.

***Note: In order to prevent possible system errors due to internet browser variance please complete the application in all CAPS.***

## **What if I lose or forget my Application Tracking Number (ATN)?**

If you lose or forget your ATN, do not start a new application. You should contact the

Enrollment/Revalidation Hotline at 1-800-686-1516 and they will be able to look up your ATN.

**How long does it take for my application to be processed?**

The time it takes to process an application depends on the number of applications submitted. There is no magic formula in determining how soon or how long it will take to process your application. The best way to ensure that your application is processed timely, is to complete it correctly and submit all of the necessary documents as required. Errors on your application or missing documents will cause your application to be rejected and place it back at the rear of the work queue.

**Who has to have a National Provider ID (NPI)?**

Any provider identified by the National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) with a provider taxonomy number must obtain an NPI and report it to Medicaid upon enrollment.

If you are unsure you can call the Enrollment/Revalidation hotline at 1-800-686-1516.

**Do I submit my Social Security Number (SSN) or my Employer Identification Number (EIN)?**

Individual providers must submit their SSN. In addition, all organizational providers must provide the SSN and date of birth of all direct/indirect owners of 5 percent or more, managing employees and/or controlling interest (See Provider disclosure requirement– [OAC 5160-1-17.3](#) )

If you are an individual practitioner that will be practicing and billing under a “group” practice you must still provide your SSN on the application and not the group FEIN.

***Note: A Social Security Number (SSN) is required by State and Federal law of all individuals applying to obtain a Medicaid provider number. Entering an invalid SSN or entering a FEIN in the place of a SSN may result in the rejection of your application.***

**I am an Individual Practitioner, what is my ownership type?**

Individual Practitioners should select “sole proprietor” from the pull-down menu.

**Is there an application fee?**

Yes, organizational provider types will be required to pay a fee. The fee applies to organizational providers only; it does **not** apply to individual providers and practitioners or practitioner groups. The fee is a federal requirement described in 42 CFS 445.460 and in [OAC 5160:1-17.8](#). The fee for 2022 is \$631 per application and is not refundable.

The fee will not be required if the enrolling organizational provider has paid the fee to either

Medicare or another State Medicaid agency within the past five years. However, Ohio Medicaid will require that the enrolling organizational providers submit proof of payment with their application. (See [OAC 5160:1-17.8](#))

**How do I check on the status of my application?**

Once an application has been submitted, you can go to the [Medicaid Provider Portal](#) to check the status. Select the “enrollment tracking search” link.

**How will I be notified once I have been enrolled as a provider?**

Once a provider is enrolled, they will be sent an email confirmation which will also contain the Medicaid Welcome Letter. This will be sent to the email that was provided during the application process.

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