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Provider Network Form A  
Project

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# Overview

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# What is the Provider Network Form A report?

- Master list of data that lists participating providers with whom or with which an issuer has executed contracts of participation, certifying that each such participating provider has executed such contract of participation.
- Participating providers reported in the report include:
  - Practitioner
  - Hospital
  - Pharmacy
  - Clinic
  - Other providers of health care services

# Provider Network Form A Requirements

An issuer must submit a report of all participating providers by network.

1. The report must include data for each network being reviewed for network access.
2. A network may be used by more than one plan
3. The network name must be consistent with product filings
4. An issuer must indicate whether a provider is an essential community provider as instructed in the commissioner's Provider Network Form A instructions
5. An issuer must submit an updated, accurate Provider Network Form A on a monthly basis by the 5th of each month for each network and when a material change in the network occurs
6. WAC 284-43-220 requires Disability Issuers, Health Care Service Contractors, and Health Maintenance Organizations to submit the Provider Network Form A report.
  - Filing of this data additionally satisfies the reporting requirements of RCW [48.44.080](#) and the requirements of RCW [48.46.030](#) relating to filing of notices that describe changes in the provider network

# Project Scope

- Update fields
- Consider new file format and specifications

# What is outside the scope of this project?

- Provider directory
- Search capability
- Frequency of submission

# Project Schedule

## Discovery Phase 1 – July to December 2015

- Applicability of current fields
  - Additional fields
  - Removal of antiquated fields
  - Alignment with other agencies
- Best practices and strategies for modifying fields in the future
- Potential validation options

# Project Schedule Continued

- Discovery Phase 2 (January – February 2016)
  - File format and specifications
- Development (March – July 2016)
- Testing and Industry Training (August – December 2016)



# Provider Network Form A -Current Format

Data is currently organized in 5 data groupings:

1. Control
2. Carrier Information
3. Provider Information
4. Provider Contract Information
5. Business Information

# Control Field – Group 1

- Control Field is used to identify the beginning of a new record
- OIC reviewing options for new file format that may change requirement

Current OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields	Proposed New OIC Fields
<del>Record Control</del>	Not applicable	

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# Carrier Information – Group 2

- Group 2 specifically collects data to organize the records by issuer, network, and issuer contact
- Proposed expansion of issuer network structure, date network first activated or deactivated, and market

Current OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields (yes or no)	Proposed New OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields (yes or no)
✓ Network	No	❖ Tiered Network	No
<del>Program Type</del>	Yes	❖ Outside Market Network	No
✓ Health Carrier	Yes	❖ Exchange Market Network	No
✓ NAIC	No	❖ Large Group Market Network	No
✓ CaEmail	No	❖ All Market Network	No
		❖ Network Start Date	No
		❖ Network End Date	No

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# Provider Information – Group 3

- Group 3 specifically collects unique identifying information by practitioner
- Proposed expansion of data to include contracting information and access

Current OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields (yes or no)	Proposed New OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields (yes or no)
✓ PNPI	Yes	❖ Provider Contract #	No
✓ License Primary	Yes	❖ Contract Status	Yes
✓ License State Primary	Yes	❖ Latitude	Yes
<del>Internal Provider ID</del>	No	❖ Longitude	Yes
✓ Professional Degree	No	❖ Accessibility Restrictions	No
✓ Last Name	Yes	❖ Capacity	Yes
✓ First Name	Yes	❖ Essential Community Provider	No
✓ Middle Name	Yes	❖ Indian Health Care Provider	No
✓ Language	No	❖ Institutional affiliations	Yes

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# Provider Contract Information – Group 4

- Group 4 specifically collects unique identifying information by practitioner
- Proposed expansion of data to include contracting information and access

Current OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields (yes or no)	Proposed New OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields (yes or no)
✓ Specialty Primary	Yes	❖ Provides Behavioral Health Services	Yes
✓ Specialty Secondary	Yes	❖ Provides Women Healthcare Service	Yes
✓ Provides Obstetric Care	Yes	❖ Tier 1 Provider	No
✓ Provides Pediatric Care	Yes	❖ Tier 2 Provider	No
✓ PCP/Specialist/Both	Yes	❖ Gain or Loss	Yes
✓ Limits	No		
✓ Provider Type	Yes		
<del>Start</del>	No		
<del>End</del>	No		
<del>Website</del>	No		

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# Business Information – Group 5

- Group 5 specifically collects data about the provider business or facility
- Proposed expansion of data to include business contracting information and access

Current OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields (yes or no)	Proposed New OIC Fields	Current HCA Fields (yes or no)
✓ BNPI	No	❖ Provider Contract #	No
✓ Business Name	Yes	❖ Hospital/SNF/Pharmacy/Transplant Center/DME	Yes
✓ Street Address	Yes	❖ Contract Status	No
✓ City	Yes	❖ Latitude	Yes
✓ State	Yes	❖ Longitude	Yes
✓ Zip	Yes	❖ Accessibility Restrictions	No
✓ County	Yes	❖ Capacity	Yes
✓ Day Phone	Yes	❖ Essential Community Provider	No
		❖ Indian Health Care Provider	No

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# Next Steps

- The OIC is soliciting comments about the field modifications by close of business October 23, 2015
  - Please direct your comments to the OIC Network Administrator at:  
[OICNetworkAccess@oic.wa.gov](mailto:OICNetworkAccess@oic.wa.gov)

Questions?