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Managed Care Organization Credentialing for Medical Staff of Hospitals, Federally Qualified Health Centers, and Rural Health Clinics

Act 143 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session exempted certain providers from having to satisfy credentialing requirements of Louisiana Medicaid managed care organizations (MCO), including the following:

- 1. Any provider who maintains hospital privileges or is a member of a hospital medical staff with a hospital licensed in accordance with the Hospital Licensing Law, R.S. 40:2100 et seq.
- 2. Any provider who is a member of the medical staff of a Rural Health Clinic (RHC) licensed in accordance with R.S. 40:2197 et seq.
- 3. Any provider who is a member of the medical staff of a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) as defined in R.S. 40:1185.3.

If a provider qualifies to credential or re-credential in accordance with Act 143, verification of meeting one of the above three conditions can be submitted to Louisiana Medicaid MCOs at the email addresses below. It is recommended to include "ACT 143" in the subject line.

Aetna Better Health	<u>Laprovider@aetna.com</u>
AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana	Credentialing@amerihealthcaritasla.com
Healthy Blue	Submit via Availity portal
	*If a provider is experiencing trouble with Availty,
	submit to <u>lainterpr@healthybluela.com</u>
Humana Healthy Horizons	<u>LAMSProviderIntake@Humana.com</u>
Louisiana Healthcare Connections	LHC Provider Credent@Centene.com
United Healthcare Community Plan	Join Our Network UHCprovider.com, *If a provider does not have a CAQH number, submit to cred_applications@uhc.com

Any providers needing additional assistance from the Louisiana Department of Health can contact providerrelations@la.gov .