



Montana

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The following health insurers in Montana have agreed to the settlement:

Participating companies

BCBS of Montana

Non-participating companies

None indicated

State-specific provisions of settlement

H_ § 7.10 New Dispute Resolution Process for Physician Billing Disputes
(a) The requirements of § 7.10 with regard to external review shall not apply to the Blue Plan Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana (hereinafter as used in this Exhibit H "BCBSMT") with respect to Plan Members enrolled under the Montana state employees health benefits program.
H_ § 7.11 Determinations Related to Medical Necessity
(a) The requirements of § 7.11 with regard to external review as to BCBSMT shall not apply to Plan Members enrolled under the Montana state employees health benefits program.
H __ § 7.29(c)(ii)(F) Arbitration
(f) BCBSMT will not require any arbitration proceeding to occur more than 150 miles from the principal office of the Physician, Physician Group, or Physician Organization and may conduct arbitration proceedings telephonically in accordance with the Medicare rules.
H __ § 7.30 Compliance with State Law and Applicable Government Contracts
(a) Each of the Blue Plans and entities listed below are participants in the Regional Joint Venture for Medicare Advantage - Region 19, a contractual joint venture for the offering of a Medicare Advantage preferred provider organization ("PPO") program in the CMS geographic area designated as Region 19 (hereinafter the contractual joint venture participants are respectively referred to as the "Joint Venture Participants"). The terms of the Agreement shall only apply to each Joint Venture Participant who executed this Agreement with respect to its participation in the Joint Venture the later of (i) sixty (60) days following notice from Class Counsel that all of the Joint Venture Participants listed below have entered into a settlement agreement in the Action, or (ii) the applicable date(s) set forth in the Agreement with respect to a particular obligation of such Blue Plans relating to the Medicare Advantage PPO program, and which applies obligations equivalent to the obligations of this § 7.30(a) of this Exhibit H of the Agreement to all Joint Venture Participants. The obligations of the Blue Plan with respect to its participation in the joint venture shall be applicable only to those functions or activities performed by the Blue Plan or one or more of its Affiliates only so long as the Blue Plan remains a Joint Venture Participant. If any of the Blue Plans cease to be a member of the joint venture then the terms of the Agreement shall apply to any Medicare Advantage PPO program that the Blue Plan operates or administers. Where any of or part of any of the functions or activities of the joint venture are performed pursuant to any contract with any third party that is not an Affiliate of a Joint Venture Participation, the Joint Venture Participant shall make a good faith effort to include in contracts entered into with such third party terms that are substantially equivalent to the terms of this Agreement, provided that a Joint Venture Participant shall not be liable under this Agreement in the event that any such third party acts in a manner inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement. Nothing in

this Agreement shall require a Joint Venture Participant to take any action, with regard to an agreement with a third party that is not an Affiliate and which agreement is in existence as of the Preliminary Approval Date, to amend or terminate any such agreement unless such action may be taken without any liability or additional costs to the Joint Venture Participant. In addition, the provisions of § 7.8 shall not apply to the Joint Venture Participants with respect to claims processing for the PPO so long as claims administration has been delegated to a third party vendor which is not an Affiliate of a Joint Venture Participant and provided that the vendor utilizes CCI for claim processing for the Medicare Advantage PPO program.

Joint Venture Participant: Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana, Inc.