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## Requirements for providing behavioral health services to Blue Cross PPO (commercial) members

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First, locate your provider type, then find your practice setting below (Solo/Group Practice or Substance Abuse/OPC)

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Provider Type (Education)	License / certification	Solo or group practices			Substance use disorder or OPC treatment settings	
		Direct Participation	Bill under Supervision	Modifier Required (For billing under supervision only) Effective 6/1/18	Direct Participation	Bill under Supervision
<b>Psychiatrist (MD/DO)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Board certified or Board Eligible</li> </ul>	Yes	No		Yes	No
<b>Psychologist (PhD., EdD, or PsyD) (Master's)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LP- Full license</li> </ul>	Yes	No		Yes	No
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LLP- Limited license</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes	HO	No	Yes (FLP)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TLLP- Temporary Limited license</li> </ul>	No	Yes	HO	No	Yes (MD/DO or FLP)
<b>Social Worker (MSW)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LMSW- Full license</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes	AJ	Yes	Yes (MD/DO or FLP)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LLMSW- Limited license</li> </ul>	No	Yes	AJ	No	
<b>Counselor (Master's)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LPC- Full license</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes	HO	Yes	Yes (MD/DO or FLP)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LLPC- Limited license</li> </ul>	No	Yes	HO	No	
<b>Marriage &amp; Family Therapist (Master's)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LMFT- Full license</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes	HO	Yes	Yes (MD/DO or FLP)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LLMFT- Limited License</li> </ul>	No	Yes	HO	No	
<b>Licensed Behavioral Analyst (Master's)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LBA - Licensed behavioral analyst</li> </ul>	Yes	No		Yes	No
<b>Nurse Practitioner (Master's)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NP- Nurse Practitioner license</li> <li>ARNP- Advanced Registered NP license</li> </ul>	Yes	No		Yes	Yes (MD/DO or FLP)
<b>Clinical Nurse Specialist</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CNS - Clinical nurse specialist license/certification</li> </ul>	Yes	No		Yes	Yes (MD/DO)
<b>Physician Assistant (Master's)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PA- Physician's Assistant license</li> </ul>	Yes	No		Yes	Yes (MD/DO)

Note: This information is subject to change. For complete billing guidelines, see the Blue Cross PPO commercial provider manual "Psychiatric Care Services" chapter.