

Institutional and Ancillary Credentialing Requirements



Family of health care plans

| Provider Types | State Licensure | General Liability Certificate | CMS Certification | OIG Exclusions | Accreditation Required | Acceptable Accreditation Bodies |
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| MEDICAL | | | | | | |
| Birth Center | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | Yes | CABC, AAAHC or TJC |
| Freestanding ASC | Yes (MD, D.C., DE) VA – As required by Virginia Department of Health | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | Yes (MD, D.C., DE) VA – if State license is required | None | Yes | AAAASF, AAAHC, AAPSF or TJC |
| Freestanding Dialysis | Yes; except D.C. & VA | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | Yes | None | N/A | CMS Certification |
| Home Health <i>Agencies licensed as Residential Service Agencies are ineligible for participation</i> | Yes; except D.C. In VA must have a license or license exemption letter. A Residential Service Agency license must include Skilled Nursing. | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | Yes, but waived if TJC or ACHC Accredited | None | Yes | ACHC (Home Health Accreditation), CHAP, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| Hospice | Yes; except D.C. In addition, a Residential Service Agency license is required if services are provided in Maryland that require going into the home. | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | Yes | None | Yes | ACHC, CHAP, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| Hospital | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | Yes | None | Yes | TJC or DNV Healthcare, Inc. |
| Rehabilitation Hospital | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | Yes | None | Yes | CARF or TJC |
| Skilled Nursing Facility | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | Yes | None | Yes | CARF, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| Lithotripsy | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | N/A | State License |
| BEHAVIORAL HEALTH | | | | | | |
| Ambulatory | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | Yes | ACHC, CARF, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| Residential/Inpatient | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | Yes | ACHC, CARF, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| Eating Disorder | No | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | Yes | ACHC, CARF, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| ALCOHOL REHABILITATION | | | | | | |
| Ambulatory | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | Yes | ACHC, CARF, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| Residential/Inpatient | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | Yes | ACHC, CARF, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| DRUG REHABILITATION | | | | | | |
| Ambulatory | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | Yes | ACHC, CARF, TJC or State/District Site Survey |
| Residential/Inpatient | Yes | \$1M occ / \$3M agg | No | None | Yes | ACHC, CARF, TJC or State/District Site Survey |

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| DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (DME) | | | | | | |
| Prosthetics & Orthotics | Not required in Maryland. All other states as required in their state to operate a business. Virginia—permit required. D.C.—an out-of-state business requires a certificate of authority or registration to transact business within D.C. | \$1M occ / \$2M agg | Yes | None | Yes | ABC, ACHC, BOC, CARF, CHAP, HQAA, NABP, NBAOS, TJC, The Compliance Team |
| Mail Order | Yes, from the state they are shipping from unless otherwise notified of a state exemption. | \$1M occ / \$2M agg | Yes | None | Yes | ABC, ACHC, BOC, CARF, CHAP, HQAA, NABP, NBAOS, TJC, The Compliance Team |
| Pharmacies <i>***Not Specialty Pharmacies</i> | Yes, as required by their state to operate a business. In addition, a Residential Service Agency license is required if services are provided in Maryland that require going into the home. | \$1M occ / \$2M agg | Yes | None | Yes | ABC, ACHC, BOC, CARF, CHAP, HQAA, NABP, NBAOS, TJC, The Compliance Team |
| All Other Types | Yes, as required by their state to operate a business. In addition, a Residential Service Agency license is required if services are provided in Maryland that require going into the home. | \$1M occ / \$2M agg | Yes | None | Yes | ABC, ACHC, BOC, CARF, CHAP, HQAA, NABP, NBAOS, TJC, The Compliance Team |

Accreditation Bodies:

- AAAASF—American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities
- AAAH—Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care
- AAPSF—Accreditation Association for Podiatric Surgical Facilities
- ABC—American Board for Certification in Orthotics & Prosthetics, Inc.
- ACHC—Accreditation Commission for Health Care, Inc.
- BOC—Board of Orthotists/Prosthetist Certification
- CABC—Commission for Accreditation of Birthing Centers
- CARF—Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities
- CHAP—Community Health Accreditation Program
- CMS—Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- CON—Certificate of Need; exemption letter from State Licensing Agency (must accompany CON)
- DNV Healthcare Inc.
- HQAA—HealthCare Quality Association on Accreditation
- NABP—National Association of Boards of Pharmacy
- NBAOS—The National Board of Accreditation for Orthotic Suppliers
- State/District Site Survey— Survey Documentation conducted at State or District Level
- The Compliance Team
- TJC—The Joint Commission

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