

Memorandum

To: Gold Coast Health Plan Providers

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Re: **Revised Credentialing Requirements for the MyGoldCare Program**

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In an effort to focus on patient choice and optimize quality of life, Gold Coast Health Plan (GCHP) implemented the MyGoldCare Palliative Care Program, a new benefit in accordance with state Senate Bill 1004 and APL 17-015.

Effectively immediately, the following is the revised credentialing requirement for the MyGoldCare program:

Practitioners may be eligible to be listed as MyGoldCare palliative care providers if they meet one of the following criteria:

1. **American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) subspecialty certificate**
Practitioners with a primary board certification from the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) AND a subspecialty Certification in Hospice and Palliative Medicine,

OR
2. **American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Certificate of Added Qualification**
Practitioners with an American Osteopathic Association (AOA) board certification in family medicine, internal medicine, neurology and psychiatry, or rehabilitation medicine AND a Certificate of Added Qualification in Hospice and Palliative Medicine,

OR
3. **Practitioners without either ABMS or AOA hospice and palliative care certificates**
The GCHP Credentials/Peer Review Committee may waive the above requirements after review of at least five years of relevant work history.

If your physician leader is interested in providing palliative care services, please contact GCHP's Provider Relations Department at ProviderRelations@goldchp.org.

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