

Bright Health Contract Update

Dear Provider,

On April 2, 2021 we distributed an <u>update</u> on the status of our arrangement with Bright Health. Since then, we have continued to engage with Bright Health leadership with the goal of reaching reasonable renewal terms for 2022 and beyond.

In recent discussions, Bright Health reconfirmed it will not counter ACN's February proposal as it continues pursuing direct contracts with ACN primary care and specialist practices.

As previously noted, the proposed renewal terms from Bright Health are not in the best interest of ACN providers, with several notable changes and key considerations, including:

- a double-digit drop in physician reimbursement,
- removal of previously agreed upon annual fee schedule increases,
- a 50% reduction in plan membership compared with 2020 levels,
- further expansion of the network to include unlimited non-ACN providers, and
- lack of benefit plan design improvements that would require members select a primary care provider.

While we have remained committed to a positive outcome throughout this negotiation, we are uncertain we will reach an agreement with Bright Health that continues to provide meaningful value to ACN providers, consistent with other ACN programs and payer relationships.

ACN's physician-led Board of Managers will evaluate the outlook for a continued relationship with Bright Health during its June meeting, and help set the course for finalizing the negotiation as quickly as possible. Once we wrap up our negotiations with Bright Health, we will promptly update you on the outcome.

In the meantime, providers who are contacted by Bright Health are encouraged to review the proposed terms closely and contact ACN with any questions.

Thank you for your participation with ACN.

Sincerely,

Arizona Care Network



Questions?

If you have questions or feedback, please speak with your Clinical Performance Consultant or email: <u>practicetransformation@</u> <u>azcarenetwork.org</u>

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