New provider license types authorized for Medicare

Effective, January 1, 2024, marriage and family therapists and mental health counselors will be added to the covered provider list under Medicare Part B to help increase the availability of mental health providers to Medicare Advantage members. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has provided an FAQ article regarding this change, including instructions on how to apply for Medicare certification.

If your practice has providers that have obtained Medicare certification due to this expansion, please complete the Provider/Practice Change Notification form available on the Security Health Plan website at www.securityhealth.org/providers/document-library so we can assist in getting the provider set up for Medicare with Security Health Plan.

When you update a provider's licensure information, you will be asked to supply details about their Medicare certification. This will ensure our records are updated accordingly. If the practice contract does not include Medicare Advantage as a contracted product, and you are interested in adding to your current contract, please contact Provider Contract Specialist at shpprd@securityhealth.org to assist in adding Medicare to the current contract.