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# Global Commitment Register

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CLARIFICATION

## **\*\*COVID-19 Emergency Response\*\***

[Please see the Department of Vermont Health Access COVID-19 site for important information](#)

## **Provider Enrollment**

### **Policy Summary:**

As part of the response to the [COVID-19 Public Health Emergency](#), Vermont Medicaid is taking steps to ensure Vermonters have access to necessary care and that health care professionals can deliver that care in a safe and timely way. To this end, the following flexibilities are temporarily being instituted for provider enrollment:

- 1) Temporarily waive provider enrollment requirements to ensure a sufficient number of providers are available to serve Medicaid enrollees. Such requirements include the payment of application fees, criminal background checks, or site visits.
- 2) Temporarily cease the revalidation of providers who are located in-state or otherwise directly impacted by a disaster.
- 3) Temporarily waive requirements that physicians and other health care professionals be licensed, certified, or registered in Vermont, so long as they have equivalent authorization in another state, and the provider's services are offered to a patient located in Vermont using telehealth or as part of the staff of a licensed facility.

Additional information is available at the [Vermont Medicaid Provider Portal](#).

### **Effective Date:**

Effectively immediately, lasting for the duration of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency unless otherwise noticed.

### **Authority/Legal Basis:**

[Medicaid State Plan](#)

[Global Commitment to Health Waiver](#): Waiver authority #5 [Section 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30)]; Special Term and Condition #29.

[COVID-19 Public Health Emergency](#)

**Population Affected:**

All Medicaid

**Additional Information:**

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