

## **Regence BlueShield Opens Physical Therapy Network Panel!**

Beginning September 1, 2009 Regence BlueShield will be opening the Physical Therapy Network to new applicants. Physical Therapists who are not currently a participating provider are eligible to apply.

The following criteria must be met before you can be considered for inclusion in the Regence Provider Network:

- Must be a licensed Physical Therapist
- Must be able to submit claims electronically
- Must use Regence Online Services for Providers (ROSP). Register via the Regence website at [www.wa.regence.com/provider](http://www.wa.regence.com/provider).

### **To Become A Regence Participating Provider:**

1. Go to the Regence web site (<http://www.wa.regence.com/provider/credentialing/docs/practitionerApplication.pdf>) to down-load the most current version of the Washington State Practitioner Application (WPA).
2. Submit the completed application with the required attachments to:

Regence BlueShield  
Attn: PT Credentialing M/S S916  
P.O. Box 21267  
Seattle, WA 98111-9856

3. When your application is received, the credentialing process will begin and you will be mailed two copies of the Regence provider agreement. To become a contracted provider you must sign and return **both** copies of the agreement to the address above. Regence will also sign the agreement and return a fully executed copy once you have been approved through the credentialing process.

The effective date of the contract will be the first day of the month in which credentialing is completed. Once all required documents are submitted, the credentialing process can take approximately 60-90 days.

**PLEASE DO NOT SCHEDULE REGENCE PATIENTS UNTIL YOU HAVE RECEIVED  
A FULLY EXECUTED CONTRACT.**

If you have any questions regarding this network opening, please review the attached "FAQ – PT Opening" document or contact Larry Post, Payer Liaison with the Physical Therapy Association of Washington at [reimbursement@ptwa.org](mailto:reimbursement@ptwa.org).