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Physician Profile Requirement

Please review and update your Physician Profile.
As a service to our members, the steps are listed below:

Pursuant to Subdivision 4 of Section 2995-a of the Public Health Law, physicians must report information for inclusion in the Department of Health Physician Profile and as a condition of registration renewal under Article 131 of the State Education Law update his/her profile within six (6) months prior to the expiration date of the physician's registration period.

You can update your profile:

- Online, if you have a Health Commerce System (HCS) account, by logging on to <https://commerce.health.state.ny.us> and click on the Physician Profile Survey icon to review and update the profile information;
 - If you do not currently have an HCS account and would like to request an application on-line, go to <https://hcsteamwork1.health.state.ny.us/pub/top.html> to apply.
 - If you are not able to login to the HCS site, please contact their support line at 1-866-529-1890 for assistance.
- Print your profile by accessing the [New York State Physician Profile](#) web site, make changes on the printout and either fax it to 917-228-8700 or mail it to NY State Department of Health, PO Box 5007, New York, NY 10274-5007.

Any questions you may have regarding the physician profile or this requirement can be answered by the New York State Physician Profile Help Desk at 1-888-338-6998.

New York State Department of Health

Physician Profile

The New York Patient Health Information and Quality Improvement Act (Public Health Law (PHL) §2995 et seq.) established the Physician Profile in October 2000 to provide all New Yorkers with information about physicians. The Physician Profile (Profile) is publicly available and published online, providing information about individual physicians who are licensed and registered to practice in New York State. Pursuant to subdivision 4 of PHL §2995-a (see Appendix A), physicians must report information in the Physician Profile and, as a condition of registration renewal, update their Profile within six months prior to the expiration of the physician's current registration period.

Certain information is required to be available for all physicians including:

- The physician's medical education
- Translation services available at the physician's office
- Legal actions taken against the physician

Physicians also have the opportunity to provide optional information about their practice. Each doctor may add information regarding:

- The name, address, and phone number of all offices
- The names of other physicians in a practice group
- A listing of articles or research papers the physician has published
- A list of professional and community service activities or awards
- A list of health plans the physician works with
- A personal statement about any information in the physician's Profile

Physicians must update any changes to mandatory elements of the Profile within 30 days of the effective date of the change