

Healthcare organizations and insurance companies depend on the credentialing process to verify each care provider's competency levels, information, and skills. This process is essential for protecting patients and upholding a high standard of care.

While the provider credentialing process flow differs between organizations, most follow the same basic process listed below.

STEP 1

Gather Data and Documents for Providers

The provider is asked to provide information, including licensing information, educational transcripts, and more. Sometimes, hospitals ask that providers send their information directly, while others ask that providers send their information through a credentials verification organization.

STEP 2

Verify Provider Information

After a provider submits their information, the healthcare facility or insurance company will begin the verification process.

During this process, the healthcare organization looks into any concerning issues that arise regarding the provider, including malpractice claims and medical incidents that could indicate a problem with their ability to provide patients with high-quality care.

Medical credentialing can be a long and tedious process. Assuming that all goes smoothly and additional documentation is not necessary for an organization to vet a provider, credentialing typically takes three to four months.

STEP 3

Credentialing the Provider

Finally, the healthcare organization awards credentials to the healthcare provider, assuming that no concerning or negative issues were detected during the credentialing process. The provider may also be approved as in-network within the credentialing insurance company.

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