



March 2, 2016

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Dear Ms. Thomashauer:

NCQA reviewed the CAQH DirectAssure provider directory process and are pleased to let you know that we will accept the provider directory solution as a source to meet some of the Health Plan Accreditation Physician Directory requirements in the Network Management (NET) standards. Specifically, the CAQH Application can be used as a source to meet the following:

NET 6, Element B: Physician Directory Updates
NET 6, Element C: Assessment of Physician Directory Accuracy
 Factor 1: Accuracy of office locations and phone numbers
 Factor 2: Accuracy of hospital affiliations
 Factor 3: Accuracy of accepting new patients

Please note that NCQA will not provide automatic credit for these elements. Organizations using the CAQH application will still be reviewed against the appropriate elements.

If for any reason the CAQH application is revised for the referenced items above, CAQH must communicate the changes to NCQA for review.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Patrick Dahill'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patrick Dahill
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