

FAQs for Pediatric Partners Members

What is Privia Medical Group North Texas?

Privia Medical Group North Texas is a physician-led, single tax ID medical group comprised of more than 300 local providers, including pediatricians, women's health, adult primary care and specialists. Privia Medical Group North Texas is part of Privia Health, a national physician organization working to transform the health care delivery experience. Privia's talent, tools and technology reduce administrative burden and enable practices to achieve better outcomes. Privia has more than 2,500 providers with medical groups in North Texas, the Texas Gulf Coast, Virginia, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Georgia and Florida.

What is Children's Health Care Network?

The Children's Health Care Network is a newly formed collaborative network of health care providers, including both employed and community physicians, operated by Children's Health. With the development of this network and members such as Privia Medical Group North Texas, we are able to leverage a member's expertise, relationships and portfolio of services to extend Children's Health into the community and provide the most value for patient families and providers, ultimately allowing us to care for more children.

What will happen to Pediatric Partners following this transition?

Privia Medical Group North Texas will ultimately replace Pediatric Partners as the preferred vehicle for independent pediatricians as part of the Children's Health Care Network, a newly formed collaborative network of health care providers, including both employed and community physicians, operated by Children's Health. It is anticipated that Pediatric Partners will cease operations in the later part of 2020.

Do Pediatric Partners members have a choice to join the new network or will they be automatically moved over?

Joining Privia Medical Group North Texas is optional, and members will not be automatically enrolled. Pediatric Partners members will work directly with Privia Medical Group North Texas to evaluate the overall fit and identify the financial and operational benefits of joining. Although there is no obligation to join Privia Medical Group North Texas, members are highly encouraged to undergo an assessment to learn more about this opportunity before making a decision.

Can specialists join Privia Medical Group North Texas?

Specialists can join Privia Medical Group North Texas, and this is evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

What action, if any, do Pediatric Partners members need to take if they are interested in learning more about Privia Medical Group North Texas?

Pediatric Partners staff will be communicating directly with all members and their practices to discuss interest and next steps. To learn more about Privia Medical Group North Texas, please visit www.priviahealth/northtexas.



What happens to Pediatric Partners members' current benefits during the transition?

Pediatric Partners members will continue to receive all membership benefits, including the Nurse Advice Line, care management, group purchasing and all payor contracts until the transition deadline.

Are members still responsible for the monthly membership dues during the transition?

Yes. Members will continue to pay dues until the end of the transition period. If a member chooses to terminate membership prior to transition date, they are responsible for dues up to 90 days after the term notice, as stated in Pediatric Partners membership agreement. If the member chooses to join Privia Medical Group North Texas and remain with Pediatric Partners during the transition period, the member is responsible for dues until the transition date. Members will no longer be responsible for membership dues once the transition is complete.

Will members still have to earn clinical integration points in 2020?

This is yet to be determined until final contract termination dates have been set. Please plan on continuing to participate in earning clinical integration points until further notice.

What happens to shared savings earned in 2018 and 2019?

2018 shared savings will be distributed for all eligible members during the first quarter of 2020. If money was earned in 2019, payors will notify Pediatric Partners in late 2020. Members will be notified if they are eligible to receive 2019 shared savings by the end of the year.

What if a member is already part of Privia Medical Group North Texas?

The member will continue to have dual membership and is responsible for Pediatric Partners dues until the transition is complete.

Can non-Pediatric Partners members join Privia Medical Group North Texas?

Yes.

What if Pediatric Partners members do not join Privia Medical Group North Texas?

If members choose not to join Privia Medical Group North Texas, prior to Pediatric Partners ceasing operations, they will need to make other arrangements for the services currently provided by Pediatric Partners – e.g., payor contracts and agreements, purchasing agreements, etc. The Children's Health Care Network will offer former members certain services, such as the Nurse Advice Line, under a different agreement. The assigned INA will assist with this process.

How do members continue to participate in the following payor contracts or other services if they do not join Privia Medical Group North Texas?

Pediatric Partners will be speaking with payors this month about alternatives for the following contracts:

Baylor Scott & White Quality Alliance (BSWQA) – Value-based only

Scott & White Health Plan (SWHP) – Fee-for-service

Amerigroup PQIP – Value-based only

Cigna CAC – Value-based only

Other Services

The Nurse Advice Line

The Nurse Advice Line will continue to be operated by the Children's Health. If a Pediatric Partners member joins Privia Medical Group North Texas, the practice will continue to receive the Nurse Advice Line services.

If a member practice does not join of Privia Medical Group North Texas, the practice can still use the Nurse Advice Line; however, it will need to become an affiliate member of the Children's Health Care Network. The practice must also have an electronic health record, and it must integrate with the Children's Health Care Network. The assigned INA will work with the practice to help with the integration process.

Quality Metric Reports

Pediatric Partners members who join Privia Medical Group North Texas will receive quality metric reports through the medical group.

Members who do not join Privia Medical Group North Texas and are currently receiving quality reports from Pediatric Partners, will no longer receive these reports once the transition is completed. If you are sending data via a VPN connection, this will need to be "turned off" by the transition date.

NRC Real-Time patient experience survey

Pediatric Partners members who join Privia Medical Group North Texas will have access to several patient engagement resources including a patient experience survey.

Members who do not join Privia Medical Group North Texas will need to obtain a patient experience survey through another vendor in the market.

Management services

Texas Medical Liability Trust (TMLT)

Members who join Privia Medical Group North Texas will obtain medical malpractice through MedPro Group (a Berkshire Hathaway company).

Members who do not join Privia Medical Group North Texas can continue with their current coverage through TMLT at their current contracted rates.

Henry Schein

Members who join Privia Medical Group North Texas can receive medical/surgical supplies through Medline or stay with their current vendor.

Members who do not join Privia Medical Group North Texas can continue to purchase medical/surgical supplies through Henry Schein and keep the same contracted rates.

Vaccine purchasing

Members who join Privia Medical Group North Texas may receive vaccine discounts through Medline or continue to purchase through their existing groups.

Members who purchase vaccines through the Pediatric Partners/Sanofi agreement will need to change to another physician buying group available in the market. If you need assistance with this, please contact:

Nicole Smith, Key Account Manager, Sanofi
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Orchestrade HR

Members who join Privia Medical Group North Texas will receive access to health insurance through UnitedHealthcare for staff and family for an additional cost. These members can continue to use Orchestrade HR for other services, such as payroll and HR compliance and processing at their current contracted rates.

Members who do not join Privia Medical Group North Texas can continue to use Orchestrade HR directly and maintain their current contracted rates.

What happens to vaccine administration fees earned in 2019 and 2020?

All participating members will continue to receive 100% of earned administration fees from the vaccine purchasing agreements earned in 2019 and 2020.

What kind of involvement will Children's Health have in this affiliation with Privia Medical Group North Texas following the transition?

Children's Health and Privia Medical Group North Texas share a belief in the value and impact that independent pediatricians have in enabling improved clinical outcomes, better access and lower costs of care for patients in the community.

Children's Health is aligning with Privia Medical Group North Texas to provide independent pediatricians access to best-in-class tools, technologies and talent to support their practices and improve the quality of care for pediatric patients across North Texas. As a Children's Health Care Network member, Privia Medical Group North Texas remains closely connected with the Children's Health system and mission.

As with all Children's Health Care Network members, we have realized the power of leveraging a member's expertise and resources to provide the most value for providers and patient families. This in turn enables Children's Health to focus on what we do best – delivering high-quality, highly specialized pediatric health care for children across North Texas and beyond.

About Privia Medical Group North Texas

What are the benefits of joining Privia Medical Group North Texas?

When joining Privia Medical Group North Texas, you become part of the premier single tax ID medical group in North Texas. You receive significant benefits and services, including:

- Remaining independent (retain ownership of your legacy practice, employ your staff)
- Participating in the governance of Privia Medical Group North Texas
- Enrollment in enhanced commercial fee-for-service payor contracts and government payor contracts
- Close integration with Privia Medical Group North Texas' adult primary care, OB/GYN and other specialist physicians
- Proprietary technology platform with a common medical record and best-in-class tools and clinical workflows developed by, and for, physicians and their patients to succeed in both fee-for-service and value-based arrangements
- Proprietary consumer tools, including online scheduling and virtual visits
- Award-winning revenue cycle management services
- Opportunities to reduce your practice's overhead and benefit from group purchasing discounts
- Marketing resources to grow your practice, including website, search engine optimization and online reputation management
- Population health support from a team of clinical experts, actuaries and clinical informaticists
- Dedicated performance consultants to review your practice's success metrics and assist with the implementation of best practices, growth of your practice and the transition to a value-based model

Does Privia Medical Group North Texas require the practice to be on an EHR?

Yes. Privia Medical Group North Texas has invested significantly in tools, technologies and workflows that benefit all participating providers and their patients. Its proprietary cloud-based platform makes it convenient for practices to modernize and stay ahead, without needing to invest in and maintain their own technology.

Can practices that have a commercial and government payor mix join Privia Medical Group North Texas?

As a single tax ID medical group, Privia Medical Group North Texas provides a full complement of commercial and government contracts. Prior to joining Privia Medical Group North Texas, a comprehensive financial analysis will be conducted to evaluate your specific payor mix and to determine whether joining Privia Medical Group North Texas makes financial and business sense for your practice.

What is the governance structure of Privia Medical Group North Texas?

Privia Medical Group North Texas has an appointed CEO for the Medical Group who is accountable to the its Board of Governors. All pediatricians will have the opportunity to participate in governance and leadership positions as elected by member physicians, including the Board of Governors and various sub-committees.

What changes might patients experience?

By joining Privia Medical Group North Texas, your patients and their families will be introduced to the latest health care technology resources, including:

- Patient portal
- Patient app
- Online scheduling and bill pay
- Virtual visits

Is there a required patient notification for my practice?

Privia Medical Group North Texas has a “go live” package that includes a patient welcome email and information for using its patient portal. Privia Medical Group North Texas will work closely with you and your practice to answer any questions your patients may have.

How does a current Pediatric Partners member learn more about joining Privia Medical Group North Texas?

Please contact the practice INA or email Jana Burkart, Director, Network Development, at jana.burkart@childrens.com, or Chad Fragle, Vice President, Network Development and Operations, at chad.fragle@childrens.com.