



Universal Health Services, Inc. contract negotiations

As you may know, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas received a termination notice from Universal Health Services, Inc. stating its intent to leave all BCBSTX provider networks, including the network for the TRS-ActiveCare health plan, on **Nov. 22, 2023**. We've worked hard to try and reach a resolution. However, we were unable to find common ground.

UHS is now out of network

Effective immediately, UHS behavioral health hospitals no longer participate in BCBSTX or TRS-ActiveCare networks. This means if participants see UHS providers for nonemergency care:

- Services may be paid at the out-of-network benefit level, which may increase their outof-pocket costs.
- Services may not be paid at all for participants in the TRS-ActiveCare Primary and TRS-ActiveCare Primary+ plans.
- Participants may also be billed more than the allowable amount.

Finding new providers

Our goal in contract negotiations is always to give participants access to quality, costeffective health care. Our primary focus now is to ensure an easy transition to other behavioral health hospitals for care.

Participants can visit <u>Provider Finder</u>[®] to find a behavioral health hospital. You can also call a Personal Health Guide, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at **1-866-355-5999** for help or for questions about your health plan.

Continuity of care

We're here to help you with continuity of care. Contact a PHG about:

- ongoing treatment or prior authorizations on file
- · whether they qualify for transition of care benefits
- help <u>filling out a transition of care form</u> 4

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