



**BlueCross BlueShield
of Texas**

P.O. BOX 655730
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Re: BlueCompare for Physicians Program
Adding Board Certification as an indicator of quality performance

Dear [REDACTED]

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX) regularly evaluates the performance of BlueChoice® network physicians on quality measures and cost efficiency as compared to peers in the same Working Specialty. The results are used to provide PPO members with quality related and cost efficiency performance designations in our online Provider Finder.

Beginning in 2018 we are adding Board Certification as an indicator for measuring quality. To have the Board Certification component included as an indicator of quality performance, beginning in January 2019, you must obtain Board Certification in 2018.

Providers do not need to send any Board Certifications to BCBSTX, all certification information will be provided to BCBSTX by the recognition entity. If you have any questions, please send an email to bluecompareforphysicians@bcbstx.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leslie Weisberg".

Leslie Weisberg, M.D.
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