

January 2021

Dear Provider:

We are writing to invite you to participate in Alterwood Health's Medicare Advantage network. Our organization is introducing new Medicare Advantage plans in both Maryland and Delaware, and we will be working with CMS to obtain approval to begin operations as of January 2022. Based on CMS guidelines, we will first need to establish a provider network which meets access standards, and we hope you will consider working with us.

**About Us**

By way of background, Alterwood Health is a newly formed managed care organization. The management team consists of those individuals who formed the Medicaid MCO Riverside Health in Maryland in 2013, and we intend to introduce Medicare Advantage plans with the same core principles which guided Riverside's entry into the market, including:

- Paying clean claims expeditiously
- Keeping core operations 'in house', thereby maintaining efficiency and proper oversight
- Credentialing and recredentialing providers without undue delay
- Offering superior customer service

**Value Proposition**

Given the low penetration rate of Medicare Advantage enrollment in both Delaware (19%) and Maryland (13%) as compared to the national average penetration rate of approximately 36%, we are eager to introduce products that will offer additional coverage options for Seniors and provide them with value added benefits not available under traditional Medicare. Such benefits will include routine vision, dental, and hearing services.

Our representatives will be providing you with a copy of our provider agreement and will be available to answer any questions you may have.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to collaborating with you as part of our network.

Sincerely,



K. Mark Puente  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Alterwood Health, Inc

**FACILITY / ANCILLARY  
APPLICATION**

<b>Provider Identification</b>			
Legal Business Name:			
Doing Business As: (if applicable)			
Contact Person:	Email:	Phone:	Fax:
Tax ID #:	Medicaid #:	Medicare #:	NPI #:

<b>Provider Type</b>			
Facility	__ Hospital	__ Inpatient Rehab Hospital	__ Hospice
	__ Ambulatory Surgery Center	__ Skilled Nursing Facility	__ Sub Acute

Ancillary (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Acupuncture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hospice (Outpatient)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Durable Medical Equipment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ambulance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Laboratory	<input type="checkbox"/>	Home Health
<input type="checkbox"/>	Audiology	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sleep Disorders Clinic	<input type="checkbox"/>	Home Infusion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Birthing Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	Orthotics and Prosthetics	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dialysis
<input type="checkbox"/>	Physical Therapy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Occupational Therapy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Speech Therapy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Urgent Care Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Imaging Facility	( ) MRI/MRA, ( ) Open MRI, ( ) CT Scan, ( ) PET/CT, ( ) Nuclear Medicine, ( ) Ultrasound, ( ) Mammography, ( ) Fluoroscopy, ( ) X-Ray, ( ) DEXA, ( ) Calcium Scoring			

Serves the following counties: (List all that apply)

**Maryland**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Allegany	<input type="checkbox"/>	Calvert	<input type="checkbox"/>	Charles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Harford	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prince George's	<input type="checkbox"/>	Talbot
<input type="checkbox"/>	Anne Arundel	<input type="checkbox"/>	Caroline	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dorchester	<input type="checkbox"/>	Howard	<input type="checkbox"/>	Queen Anne's	<input type="checkbox"/>	Washington
<input type="checkbox"/>	Baltimore City	<input type="checkbox"/>	Carroll	<input type="checkbox"/>	Frederick	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Somerset	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wicomico
<input type="checkbox"/>	Baltimore	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cecil	<input type="checkbox"/>	Garrett	<input type="checkbox"/>	Montgomery	<input type="checkbox"/>	St Mary's	<input type="checkbox"/>	Worcester

**Washington DC**

**Delaware:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	New Castle	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sussex
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**Primary Office / Service Address**

Practice Location Name:

Address:

Contact Person:	Email:	Phone:	Fax:
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Office Hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Sun \_\_\_\_\_ Mon \_\_\_\_\_ Tues \_\_\_\_\_ Wed \_\_\_\_\_ Thurs \_\_\_\_\_ Fri \_\_\_\_\_ Sat

List any non-English languages spoken:

Does this office location meet ADA accessibility requirements?     Y     N

Check All That Apply:

Handicap Accessible:     Building             Parking             Restroom

Services for Disabled:     Text Telephone     Sign Language     Mental/Physical Impairment

Transportation Accessible:  Bus                     Regional Train     Subway

**Secondary Office / Service Address**

Practice Location Name:

Address:

Contact Person:	Email:	Phone:	Fax:
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Office Hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Sun \_\_\_\_\_ Mon \_\_\_\_\_ Tues \_\_\_\_\_ Wed \_\_\_\_\_ Thurs \_\_\_\_\_ Fri \_\_\_\_\_ Sat

List any non-English languages spoken:

Does this office location meet ADA accessibility requirements?     Y     N

Check All That Apply:

Handicap Accessible:     Building             Parking             Restroom

Services for Disabled:     Text Telephone     Sign Language     Mental/Physical Impairment

Transportation Accessible:  Bus                     Regional Train     Subway

**Billing Information**

Name (Billing Name):

Payment Address:

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you bill electronically?  Y     N

Contact Person:	Email:	Phone:	Fax:
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<b>Licensure</b>			
State:	Date of License:	License #:	Expiration Date:
State:	Date of License:	License #:	Expiration Date:
CLIA Certificate #: (if applicable)			

<b>Accreditation / Certification</b>		
Type of Accreditation:	Date of Accreditation:	Next Survey Date:
If Not Accredited: Have you had an on-site survey by CMS or a State Agency? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N		
Date of Last Survey: ___/___/___		
<b>Credentialing</b>		
Does your organization credential providers? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N		
Does your organization monitor credentialed staff for exclusions from the Medicaid/Medicare Programs? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N		

<b>General and Professional Liability Insurance</b>	
<b>General Liability Coverage</b>	
Current Carrier Name:	
Policy Number:	Coverage Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence Based <input type="checkbox"/> Claims Based
Effective Date:	Expiration Date:
Per Incident: \$	Aggregate: \$
<b>Professional Liability Coverage</b>	
Current Carrier Name:	
Policy Number:	Coverage Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence Based <input type="checkbox"/> Claims Based
Effective Date:	Expiration Date:
Per Incident: \$	Aggregate: \$

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Please submit all applicable documents from the list below, with your completed and signed application and contract.

1. Copy of all licenses required to operate as a health care facility (by location)
2. Copy of accreditation certificate or letter
3. Certificate of Insurance Coverage
4. Copy of most recent CMS or state survey including your corrective action plan if deficiencies were cited, or cover letter from CMS/State Agency stating facility is in substantial compliance
5. Copy of CLIA Certificate for each location, if applicable
6. A completed W-9 for each Tax ID

# Standard Authorization, Attestation and Release

I understand and agree that, as part of the credentialing application process for participation, membership and/or clinical privileges (hereinafter, referred to as "Participation") at or with Alterwood Health (hereinafter referred to as the "Entity"), and any of the Entity's affiliated entities, I am required to provide sufficient and accurate information for a proper evaluation of my current licensure, relevant training and/or experience, clinical competence, health status, character, ethics, and any other criteria used by the Entity for determining initial and ongoing eligibility for Participation. Each Entity and its representatives, employees, and agent(s) acknowledge that the information obtained relating to the application process will be held confidential to the extent permitted by law.

I acknowledge that each Entity has its own criteria for acceptance, and I may be accepted or rejected by each independently. I further acknowledge and understand that my cooperation in obtaining information and my consent to the release of information do not guarantee that any Entity will grant me clinical privileges or contract with me as a provider of services. I understand that my application for Participation with the Entity is not an application for employment with the Entity and that acceptance of my application by the Entity will not result in my employment by the Entity.

Authorization of Investigation Concerning Application for Participation. I authorize the following individuals including, without limitation, the Entity, its representatives, employees, and/or designated agent(s); the Entity's affiliated entities and their representatives, employees, and/or designated agents; and the Entity's designated professional credentials verification organization (collectively referred to as "Agents"), to investigate information, which includes both oral and written statements, records, and documents, concerning my application for Participation. I agree to allow the Entity and/or its Agent(s) to inspect and copy all records and documents relating to such an investigation.

Authorization of Third-Party Sources to Release Information Concerning Application for Participation. I authorize any third party, including, but not limited to, individuals, agencies, medical groups responsible for credentials verification, corporations, companies, employers, former employers, hospitals, health plans, health maintenance organizations, managed care organizations, law enforcement or licensing agencies, insurance companies, educational and other institutions, military services, medical credentialing and accreditation agencies, professional medical societies, the Federation of State Medical Boards, the National Practitioner Data Bank, and the Health Care Integrity and Protection Data Bank, to release to the Entity and/or its Agent(s), information, including otherwise privileged or confidential information, concerning my professional qualifications, credentials, clinical competence, quality assurance and utilization data, character, mental condition, physical condition, alcohol or chemical dependency diagnosis and treatment, ethics, behavior, or any other matter reasonably having a bearing on my qualifications for Participation in, or with, the Entity. I authorize my current and past professional liability carrier(s) to release my history of claims that have been made and/or are currently pending against me. I specifically waive written notice from any entities and individuals who provide information based upon this Authorization, Attestation and Release.

Authorization of Release and Exchange of Disciplinary Information. I hereby further authorize any third party at which I currently have Participation or had Participation and/or each third party's agents to release "Disciplinary Information," as defined below, to the Entity and/or its Agent(s). I hereby further authorize the Agent(s) to release Disciplinary Information about any disciplinary action taken against me to its participating Entities at which I have Participation, and as may be otherwise required by law. As used herein, "Disciplinary Information" means information concerning (i) any action taken by such health care organizations, their administrators, or their medical or other committees to revoke, deny, suspend, restrict, or condition my Participation or impose a corrective action plan; (ii) any other disciplinary action involving me, including, but not limited to, discipline in the employment context; or (iii) my resignation prior to the conclusion of any disciplinary proceedings or prior to the commencement of formal charges, but after I have knowledge that such formal charges were being (or are being) contemplated and/or were (or are) in preparation.

Release from Liability. I release from all liability and hold harmless any Entity, its Agent(s), and any other third party for their acts performed in good faith and without malice unless such acts are due to the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Entity, its Agent(s), or other third party in connection with the gathering, release and exchange of, and reliance upon, information used in accordance with this Authorization, Attestation and Release. I further agree not to sue any Entity, any Agent(s), or any other third party for their acts, defamation or any other claims based on statements made in good faith and without malice or misconduct of such Entity, Agent(s) or third party in connection with the credentialing process. This release shall be in addition to, and in no way shall limit, any other applicable immunities provided by law for peer review and credentialing activities. In this Authorization, Attestation and Release, all references to the Entity, its Agent(s), and/or other third party include their respective employees, directors, officers, advisors, counsel, and agents. The Entity or any of its affiliates or agents retains the right to allow access to the application information for purposes of a credentialing audit to customers and/or their auditors to the extent required in connection with an audit of the credentialing processes and provided that the customer and/or their auditor executes an appropriate confidentiality agreement. I understand and agree that this Authorization, Attestation and Release is irrevocable for any period during which I am an applicant for Participation at an Entity, a member of an Entity's medical or health care staff, or a participating provider of an Entity. I agree to execute another form of consent if law or regulation limits the application of this irrevocable authorization. I understand that my failure to promptly provide another consent may be grounds for termination or discipline by the Entity in accordance with the applicable bylaws, rules, and regulations, and requirements of the Entity, or grounds for my termination of Participation at or with the Entity. I agree that information obtained in accordance with the provisions of this Authorization, Attestation and Release is not and will not be a violation of my privacy.

I certify that all information provided by me in my application is current, true, correct, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and is furnished in good faith. I will notify the Entity and/or its Agent(s) within 10 days of any material changes to the information (including any changes/challenges to licenses, DEA, insurance, malpractice claims, NPDB/HIPDB reports, discipline, criminal convictions, etc.) I have provided in my application or authorized to be released pursuant to the credentialing process. I understand that corrections to the application are permitted at any time prior to a determination of Participation by the Entity, and must be submitted online or in writing, and must be dated and signed by me (may be a written or an electronic signature). I acknowledge that the Entity will not process an application until they deem it to be a complete application and that I am responsible to provide a complete application and to produce adequate and timely information for resolving questions that arise in the application process. I understand and agree that any material misstatement or omission in the application may constitute grounds for withdrawal of the application from consideration; denial or revocation of Participation; and/or immediate suspension or termination of Participation. This action may be disclosed to the Entity and/or its Agent(s). I further acknowledge that I have read and understand the foregoing Authorization, Attestation and Release and that I have access to the bylaws of applicable medical staff organizations and agree to abide by these bylaws, rules, and regulations. I understand and agree that a facsimile or photocopy of this Authorization, Attestation and Release shall be as effective as the original.

Signature:

Print Name:

Date:



## DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL INTEREST STATEMENT

**I. Identifying Information**

(a) Name of Entity	D/B/A	Provider No.	Vendor No.	Telephone No.
Street Address		City, County, State		Zip Code

(b) *(To be completed by CMS Regional Office)* Chain Affiliate No.  LB1

~~II. Answer the following questions by checking "Yes" or "No." If any of the questions are answered "Yes," list names and addresses of individuals or corporations under Remarks on page 2. Identify each item number to be continued.~~

(a) Are there any individuals or organizations having a direct or indirect ownership or control interest of 5 percent or more in the institution, organizations, or agency that have been convicted of a criminal offense related to the involvement of such persons, or organizations in any of the programs established by titles XVIII, XIX, or XX?  
D Yes   D No LB2

(b) Are there any directors, officers, agents, or managing employees of the institution, agency or organization who have ever been convicted of a criminal offense related to their involvement in such programs established by titles XVIII, XIX, or XX?  
D Yes   D No LB3

(c) Are there any individuals currently employed by the institution, agency, or organization in a managerial, accounting, auditing, or similar capacity who were employed by the institution's, organization's, or agency's fiscal intermediary or carrier within the previous 12 months? (Title XVIII providers only)  
D Yes   D No LB4

III. (a) List names, addresses for individuals, or the EIN for organizations having direct or indirect ownership or a controlling interest in the entity. (See instructions for definition of ownership and controlling interest.) List any additional names and addresses under "Remarks" on page 2. If more than one individual is reported and any of these persons are related to each other, this must be reported under Remarks.

Name	Address	EIN

(b) Type of Entity:     Sole Proprietorship                       Partnership                       Corporation                      LB6  
                                   Unincorporated Associations                       Other (Specify)

(c) If the disclosing entity is a corporation, list names, addresses of the Directors, and EINs for corporations under Remarks.

Check appropriate box for each of the following questions:

(d) Are any owners of the disclosing entity also owners of other Medicare/Medicaid facilities? (Example: sole proprietor, partnership or members of Board of Directors.) If yes, list names, addresses of individuals and provider numbers.  
D Yes   D No LB?

Name	Address	Provider Number





IV. (a) Has there been a change in ownership or control within the last year?  
If yes, give date \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No LBS

(b) Do you anticipate any change of ownership or control within the year?  
If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No LB9

(c) Do you anticipate filing for bankruptcy within the year?  
If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No LB10

V. Is this facility operated by a management company, or leased in whole or part by another organization?  
If yes, give date of change in operations \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No LB11

VI. Has there been a change in Administrator, Director of Nursing, or Medical Director within the last year?  
 Yes  No LB12

VII. (a) Is this facility chain affiliated? (If yes, list name, address of Corporation, and EIN)  
Name EIN #  Yes  No LB13

Address LB14

VII. (b) If the answer to Question VII.a. is No, was the facility ever affiliated with a chain?  
(If yes, list Name, Address of Corporation, and EIN)  
Name EIN #  Yes  No LB18

Address LB19

VIII. Have you increased your bed capacity by 10 percent or more or by 10 beds, whichever is greater, within the last 2 years?  
If yes, give year of change \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No LB15  
Current beds \_\_\_\_\_ LB16 Prior beds \_\_\_\_\_ LB17

WHOEVER KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY MAKES OR CAUSES TO BE MADE A FALSE STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION OF THIS STATEMENT, MAY BE PROSECUTED UNDER APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR STATE LAWS. IN ADDITION, KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY FAILING TO FULLY AND ACCURATELY DISCLOSE THE INFORMATION REQUESTED MAY RESULT IN DENIAL OF A REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE OR WHERE THE ENTITY ALREADY PARTICIPATES, A TERMINATION OF ITS AGREEMENT OR CONTRACT WITH THE STATE AGENCY OR THE SECRETARY, AS APPROPRIATE.

Name of Authorized Representative (Typed)	Title
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Signature	Date
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Remarks