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## IHCP clarifies MCE network participation request effective date policy

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) recently announced a new managed care entity (MCE) network participation request effective date policy in *IHCP Bulletin* [BT2021104](#). Based upon additional feedback, the IHCP is providing clarification on the new policy:

- For brand-new providers that are not part of an existing contract with an MCE, the IHCP is giving the discretion for the health plan to use either of the following effective date policies:
  - The first of the month following the receipt of a complete network participation request
  - The first of the month following the contract execution date
- Whichever effective date policy is selected, the MCE must follow the policy for all brand-new network participation requests.



Additionally, the IHCP is clarifying that the MCE network participation request effective date policy does not apply to providers that utilize delegated credentialing relationships with the MCEs. Under these relationships, providers and MCEs can continue to determine an appropriate effective date.

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