# Resources to Support your Diverse Patient Panel





BlueCross BlueShield of North Carolina Healthy **Blue** 



As patient panels grow more diverse and needs become more complex, providers and their office staff need more support to help address Healthy Blue patients' needs. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina wants to help.

Cultural competency resources, including a Cultural Competency Training, are available at **https://provider.healthybluenc.com** > Resources > Healthy Blue Training Academy.

#### The Cultural Competency Training offers:

- Information on the impact of culture, including language, on healthcare.
- A cultural competency continuum that can help you assess your level of cultural competency.
- Suggestions for working effectively with interpreters.
- Guidance on supporting patients with disabilities and adhering to federal requirements.

#### Thealthy Blue Gross Blue Shield Healthy Blue Medicaid Providers AAA | Log in | Memi Healthy Blue Training Academy **Cultural competency resources** Patient panels are growing more diverse and needs are becoming more complex. It is important for providers to have the knowledge, resources, and tools to offer culturally competent care. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina (Blue Cross NC) wants to help Healthy Blue providers by offering the following comprehensive trainings and resources, as we all work together to achieve health equity. My Diverse Patients The My Diverse Patients website offers learning experiences and techniques and helps you provide the individualized care every patient deserves, regardless of their diverse backgrounds. My Diverse Patients website Improving patient experience What Matters Most: Improving the Patient Experience is an online course for providers and office staff that addresses gaps in care and offers approaches to communication with patients. This course is available at no cost and is eligible for one continuing medical education (CME) credit by the American Academy of Family Physicians. Improving the Patient Experience Cultural competency and patient engagement Blue Cross NC has three versions of the Healthy Blue provider cultural competency training available, based on North Carolina's geographic regions and the diverse tribal communities in those areas. See the flyer below for details on which version(s) you should take and how to confirm completion. Cultural Competency Training Region 1 Cultural Competency Training Region 2, 3, 4, 6 Cultural Competency Training Region 5 Caring for Diverse Populations Toolkit A comprehensive resource to help providers and office staff increase effective communication by enhancing knowledge of the values, beliefs, and needs of diverse patients Caring for Diverse Population

Three versions of Healthy Blue trainings are available, based on North Carolina's geographic regions and the diverse tribal communities in those areas. Each version contains the following topics for the American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities residing in the respective regions:

- Demographics
- Prevalent health issues and considerations for overall AI/AN population
- Prevalent health issues and considerations for AI/AN population in North Carolina
- Important considerations in provider/patient interactions

The remainder of the content is consistent in each version.

## Which training do I choose?

If you practice in more than one region, you can choose to take the training for the region where you have the highest volume of participating members. However, it is important to review the American Tribal Community information for the other regions you support, to help provide the best possible care to your diverse patients.

#### **Medicaid Managed Care Regions<sup>1</sup>**

Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	Region 5	Region 6
Avery Buncombe Burke Caldwell Cherokee Clay Graham Haywood Henderson Jackson Macon Macon Madison McDowell Mitchell Polk Rutherford Swain Transylvania Yancey	Alleghany Ashe Davidson Davie Forsyth Guilford Randolph Rockingham Stokes Surry Watauga Wilkes Yadkin	Alexander Anson Cabarrus Catawba Cleveland Gaston Iredell Lincoln Mecklenburg Rowan Stanly Union	Alamance Caswell Chatham Durham Franklin Granville Johnston Nash Orange Person Vance Wake Warren Wilson	Bladen Brunswick Columbus Cumberland Harnett Hoke Lee Montgomery Moore New Hanover Pender Richmond Robeson Sampson Scotland	Beaufort Bertie Camden Carteret Chowan Craven Currituck Dare Duplin Edgecombe Gates Greene Halifax Herford Hyde Jones Lenoir Martin Northampton
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Footnote:

1 Division of Health Benefits – NC Medicaid Enrollment Broker Update. (2020). Retrieved from https://www.communitycarephysiciannetwork.com/medicaid-transformation-info/medicaidmanaged-care-regions

#### North Carolina Tribal and Urban Communities<sup>1</sup>

State and Federally Recognized Tribes:

Areas in color indicate counties where the eight recognized tribes of North Carolina reside.

<ul> <li>Coharie (Harnett and Sampson)</li> <li>*Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (Cherokee, Clay, Cgraham, Jackson, Macon and Swain)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cumberland County Association for Indian People</li> <li>Guilford Native American Association</li> <li>Metrolina Native American Association</li> <li>Triangle Native American Society</li> </ul>		
🔵 Haliwa-Saponi (Halifax and Warren)	Counties in 💛 (Mecklenberg, Guilford, Cumberland and		
Lumbee (Hoke, Robeson and Scotland)	Wade) = locations of American Indian Associations		
Meherrin (Hertford, Northampton, Gates and Bertie)			
<ul> <li>Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation (Alamance, Caswell and Orange)</li> <li>Sappony (Person)</li> <li>Waccamaw Siouan (Bladan and Columbus)</li> <li>* Federally recognized</li> </ul>			
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**Urban Indian Organizations** 

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(Holding membership on the NC Commission of Indian

### How can I confirm completion of the training?

Once you have reviewed the training in its entirety, complete the course evaluation at the end to confirm that you have completed the training. The course evaluation will require you to enter your name and National Provider Identifier to track completion at the individual provider level.

Within a week of completing training, the provider's directory profile will display that they have completed the Cultural Competency Training.

The course evaluation information must be completed in order to confirm that you have completed the Cultural Competency Training.

Footnote:

1 NC Commission of Indian Affairs. (2015). Map of NC Tribal Communities. Retrieved from https://ncadmin.nc.gov/citizens/american-indians/map-nc-tribal-communities

#### https://provider.healthybluenc.com

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