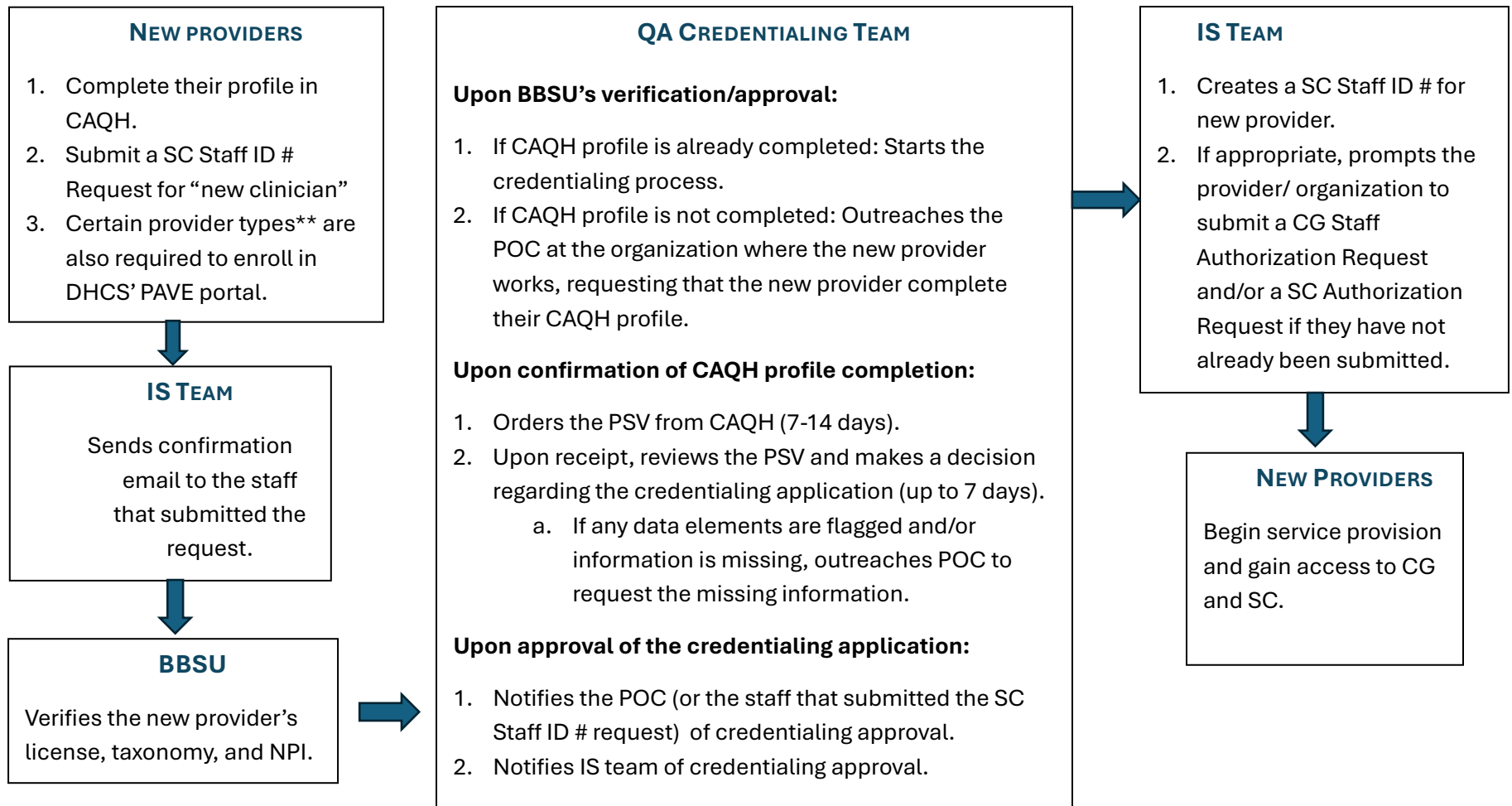


7/1/26 ACBHD Credentialing Process for New Providers that have Provider Types Required for Credentialing by ACBHD*



Legend

BBSU = Billing and Benefits Support Unit	PAVE = Provider Application and Validation for Enrollment
CAQH = The Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare	POC = Point of Contact
CG = Clinician's Gateway	PSV = Primary Source Verification
IS = Information Systems	QA = Quality Assurance
NPI = National Provider Identification	SC = SmartCare

* Refer to [Provider Memo 2025-17](#) for the provider types required for credentialing by ACBHD. If a new provider has a provider type required for credentialing by ACBHD but does not bill to Medi-Cal, they must be credentialed by ACBHD if they either oversee clinical staff or they review the documentation of clinical staff or both.

** Provider types requiring DHCS PAVE enrollment:

- a. Certified Nurse Practitioner
- b. Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)
- c. Psychologist
- d. Licensed Educational Psychologist
- e. Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)
- f. Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC)
- g. Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)
- h. Nurse Practitioner (Supervised)
- i. Physician Assistant (Supervised)
- j. Physician (MD and DO)
- k. Registered Pharmacist

PAVE Resources:

- ACBHD [Provider Memo](#) (11/2021): Provider Application and Validation for Enrollment (PAVE) Requirement
- ACBHD [Provider Memo](#) (3/2021): Update and FAQs - Provider Application and Validation for Enrollment (PAVE)
- DHCS [BHIN 20-071](#): SMHS PAVE Enrollment Requirements – CURES Act