

Important change to UTSW Physicians in 2019

To help with your benefits selection during annual enrollment, we want to make you aware of the following change:

- **As of Jan. 1, 2019, UT Southwestern Physicians will shift to the Tier 2 Cigna national network, available with the PPO and HSA medical plans.**
- **Though these providers will no longer be available in the Tier 1 BSWQA network, they are still accessible in cases of emergency or rare situations when a provider is not available in Tier 1 and authorization is granted by Scott and White Health Plan.**

You are receiving this e-mail because our records indicate you or one of your covered dependents received care from a UTSW physician in the past 12 months.

Tier 1 BSWQA Network Growth

Since 2016, the Tier 1 network has grown nearly 39% — providing high quality care where and when you need it. Pediatric access has increased 32.5% and primary care access has increased 31%. As you review your medical plan options, please keep in mind that the SEQA/EQA plan exclusively includes providers in the Tier 1 BSWQA network, and the PPO and HSA plans offer additional provider access through the Tier 2 Cigna national network.

The chart below compares the number of UTSW providers to those in the DFW area of the Tier 1 BSWQA network. For many of these specialties, our network provider counts outnumber the UTSW provider counts 3:1.

Provider comparison by specialty in UTSW service area	UTSW provider counts	Tier 1 BSWQA network provider counts	Difference
Cardiology	49	213	164
Dermatology	20	71	51
Endocrinology	16	54	38
Gastroenterology	20	145	125
Hematology-Oncology	29	204	175
Neonatology	12	73	61
Nephrology	11	169	158
Neurology	31	88	57
Neurosurgery	7	37	30
OB/GYN	36	208	172
Ophthalmology	24	98	74
Orthopedics	12	280	268
Otolaryngology	34	95	61
Pediatrics	52	476	424
PCP	129	656	527
Rheumatology	7	26	19

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