

## New Strategic Provider System launch delayed

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In June, we announced that the new Strategic Provider System (SPS) would replace our legacy internal provider data management system in July 2021. Please be advised that the launch of SPS has been delayed and will not be implemented in July as originally announced. We will advise you of the new launch date in a future edition of *Provider News*.

### Get ready for the change

The second phase of our improvement will be integration with Availity's Provider Data Management (PDM) functionality, which will roll out in phases following the launch of SPS. Through this tool, providers will be able to view, maintain, update, and attest provider demographic information is accurate for Anthem (and other health plans) in one easy-to-use portal. *Although the launch of SPS has been delayed, if your organization is not already registered on Availity Portal, we strongly encourage you to get started right away.* Your organization's designated administrator can go to [Availity.com](https://Availity.com) to register and to find other helpful information about using Availity. Availity is Anthem's secure provider portal platform where providers can enjoy the convenience of digital transactions including prior authorization submission, claims submission and benefit and eligibility look-up.

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