

## IHCS & Fallon Health Program Overview





### Fallon Health Prior Authorization Services

Integrated Home Care Services will begin accepting prior authorization requests for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Home Health Services beginning July 1, 2025.



### **Prior-Authorizations will apply to:**

- Durable Medical Equipment
- Home Health Services



### **Applicable Memberships:**

#### **Fallon Health Members**

- Fallon Medicare Plus (Medicare Advantage)
- NaviCare
- Fallon 365 Care
- Berkshire Fallon Health Collaborative
- Fallon Health-Atrius Health Care Collaborative
- Community Care
- Medicare Plus Central

#### Plans excluded are as follows:

### **PACE Program**

- Summit Elder Care
- Fallon Health Weinberg







### What will change on July 1, 2025

### Effective July 1, 2025:

- Referral Sources (Hospitals and Physicians) will send all requests for DME and Home Health Services directly to IHCS
- ✓ IHCS will review orders and apply clinical criteria
- ✓ IHCS will identify the appropriate Provider in Fallon's network to issue authorization to
- ✓ IHCS will coordinate care and ensure services are provided in a timely manner
- ✓ DME and Home Health Providers will be trained to access MedTrac IHCS's proprietary tracking system to view/obtain authorizations (authorizations will also be sent via fax/email to Providers)
- ✓ Beginning June 1, 2025, IHCS will provide detailed training on how to submit requests for services, obtain authorizations for new and existing patients, request authorization extensions and submit appeals for denied services
- ✓ For patients who are currently receiving DME and/or Home Health Services, effective July 1, 2025 the following process will be implemented:
  - Patients receiving home health services will not need an authorization through IHCS until they complete their current Plan of Care. Additional services or continuation of services in excess of their current Plan of Care will need to be submitted to IHCS for review
  - Patients in possession of DME items considered "CAP Rental" will not need an authorization by IHCS for the remaining rental period
  - Patients receiving recurring DME and/or Respiratory supplies, who already have an authorization in the system for these items would not need a new authorization until the current authorization expires

Excluded Services – Orthotics, Prosthetics, PERS, Diabetic Supplies, Cochlear Implants, CPAP and BiPAP











### Scope of Services

### **Durable Medical Equipment**

- Mobility Aids
- Bath Safety Devices
- Beds and Support Surfaces
- Ostomy, Urological and Wound Care Supplies
- Wheelchairs and Power Mobility
- Enteral Nutrition
- Oxygen and Nebulizers
- Adult and Pediatric Respiratory

Note: Orthotics, Prosthetics, PERS, Diabetic Supplies, Cochlear Implants, CPAP and BiPap Equipment and Supplies are excluded and will not be authorized by IHCS. Please follow your current process with Fallon Health.

### **Home Health Care**

- Skilled Nursing Services
- Physical Therapists
- Occupational Therapists
- Speech Therapists
- Home Health Aides
- Licensed Social Services

## Additional Services for ACO and NaviCare Members

- Medical Administration Visits
- Long Term Home Care Services









## **Authorization Extension Process**





### Keys to a successful Authorization Extension

To obtain an authorization extension request via the MedTrac Portal, the provider submitting the request will need to gather three (3) categories of the following information:

1. Participant Information
Medicaid/Medicare/ACO ID Participant
name Date of Birth (DOB)

2. Referring Physician
Physician name
National provider identifier (NPI) Tax
Identification Number (TIN) Phone & Fax
number

3. Supporting Clinical Information
Current physicians order/script Current clinicals
relating to request (see examples below)
patient history, progress notes and physical exams, most
recent plan of care, valid prescription)
Current medical order listing all requested equipment for
DME orders





### **Authorization Extension Request Approval**

### **Approved Requests**

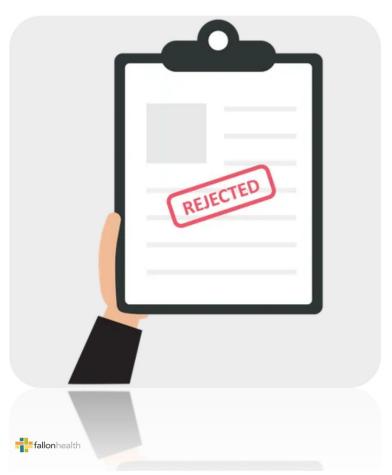
- Standard requests are processed within 2 business days after receipt of all necessary clinical information
- Purchases and daily rentals are usually valid for 90 days
- DME HCPCS code list is subject to change so please refer to our provider resources site and any Durable Medical Equipment announcements we send out.
- Monthly rentals are usually valid how many units/months approved plus one additional month







## Authorization Extension Request Outcomes & Denied Requests



Based on evidence-based guidelines, an adverse determination is made and the request is denied

A denial letter with the rationale for the decision and the appeal rights will be issued to both the provider and member

Determination letters can be requested on demand from IHCS by calling: 844-215-4264

Request status can also be checked online using the MedTrac Portal



## Benefits of the IHCS MedTrac Provider Portal



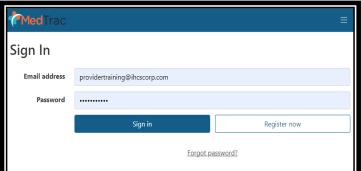


### Benefits of the IHCS MedTrac Provider Portal

Did you know that most providers are already saving time submitting re-authorization/authorization extension requests online?

### The following are some benefits and features:

- Saves time: Quicker process than phone re-authorization requests
- Available 24/7: You can access the portal any time and any day
- Upload additional clinical information: No need to fax in supporting clinical documentation. It can be uploaded on the portal to support a new request or when additional information is requested
- Check case status in real-time
- View and print authorization(s)



• To speak with a Portal Specialist, call 844.215.4264 (Option #4) or email providertraining@ihcscorp.com





## Provider Portal for DME User Guide





## **HOME PAGE**

Once a user is signed in, they will be directed to the **Home Page**.

Depending on their access group – **STANDARD PORTAL USER** or **PORTAL ADMIN**, a user may not see all tiles and menu options.

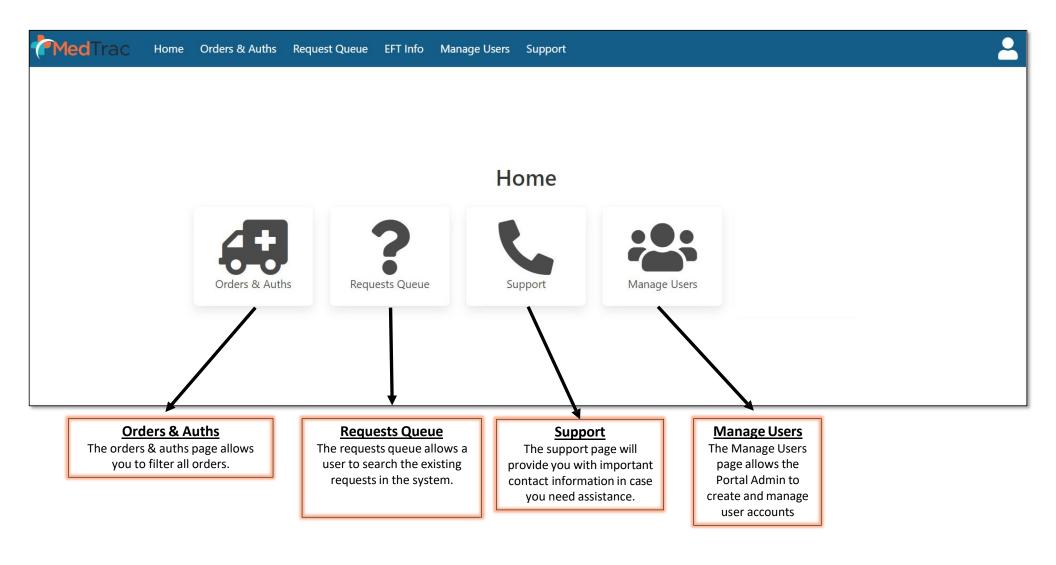
### **PORTAL ADMINS:**

- Orders & Auths
- Requests Queue
- Support
- Profile
- Manage Users

### **STANDARD PORTAL USERS:**

- Orders & Auths
- Requests Queue
- Support
- Profile





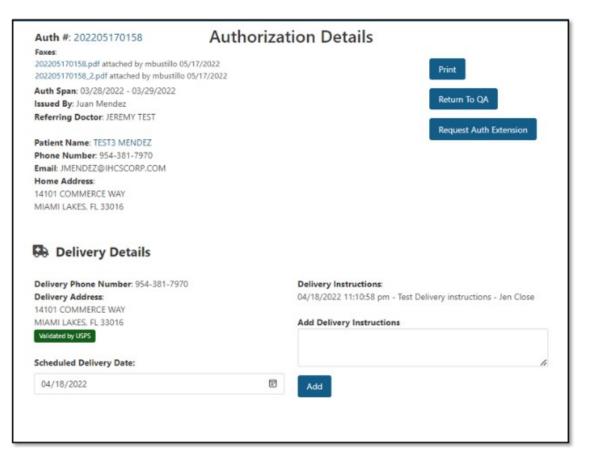


## ORDERS & AUTHS





## **AUTHORIZATION DETAILS**



Once you click on the Details button on the authorization, you will come to page that includes the following information:

- > AUTH NUMBER: Links to the Subcontractor Form
- FAXES: Links to Orders received RX, Clinicals, etc.
- > AUTH SPAN: This is your authorization date range
- ISSUED BY: Person that issued the authorization
- REFERRING DOCTOR
- PATIENT NAME and CONTACT INFORMATION

### On the right side you will find 3 buttons:

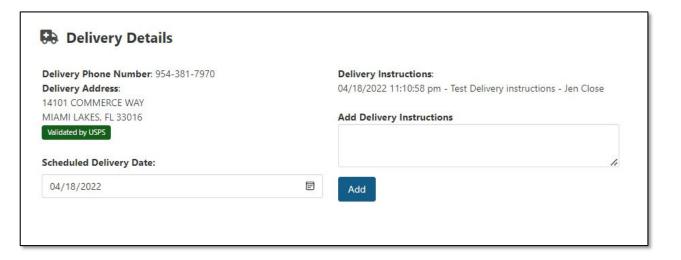
PRINT: Allows you to download a pre-filled delivery receipt template.



- RETURN TO QA: Allows you to complete a short form to return the order to MedTrac in case something needs to be adjusted. This button will not display once the delivery has been completed.
- ➤ **REQUEST AUTH EXTENSION:** Allows you to request an extension to the authorization date range.



### **DELIVERY DETAILS**



In the **DELIVERY DETAILS** section, you'll find:

- > DELIVERY PHONE NUMBER
- > DELIVERY ADDRESS
- > DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS
- > SCHEDULED DELIVERY DATE
- > COD INFORMATION, IF APPLICABLE

If the delivery address has been validated by USPS, there will be a green flag below the address indicating that the address has been validated.

Validated by USPS



## REQUESTS QUEUE





### **REQUESTS QUEUE**

The **REQUESTS QUEUE** allows a user to search the existing requests in the system.

### Filters include:

- Location Start Date
- End Date
- Last Name
- First Name

- MedTrac ID
- Member ID
- Request Type
- > Status

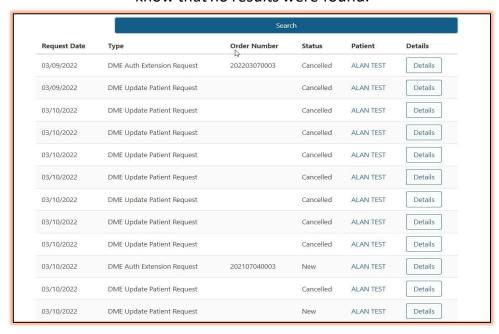




### **PATIENT PROPERTIES PAGE**

Once **SEARCH** is selected, a grid will populate with results.

If there are no results, a message will display letting the user know that no results were found.



The user can click on to get details of the request. They can also click on the **PATIENT NAME** hyperlink to go to the **PATIENT DETAILS** page.

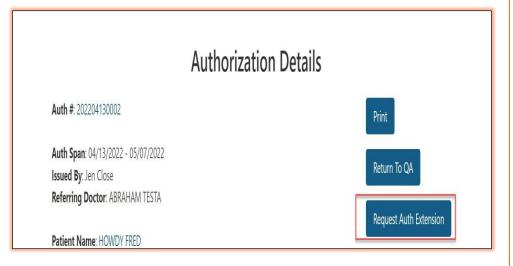
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### **AUTH EXTENSION REQUEST**

You can access the **AUTH EXTENSION REQUEST** page from the **AUTHORIZATION DETAILS** page.

From the ORDERS & AUTHS page, find the authorization you would like to request an extension for and click the details button.

On the **DETAILS** page, you will see the button to **REQUEST AUTH EXTENSION.** 

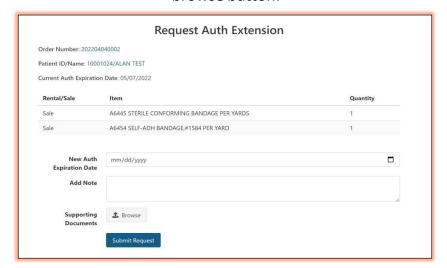




### PATIENT PROPERTIES PAGE

After you arrive at the **REQUEST AUTH EXTENSION** page, you will see the **ORDER NUMBER**, **PATIENT ID/NAME**, **CURRENT AUTH EXPIRATION DATE**, and a list of items.

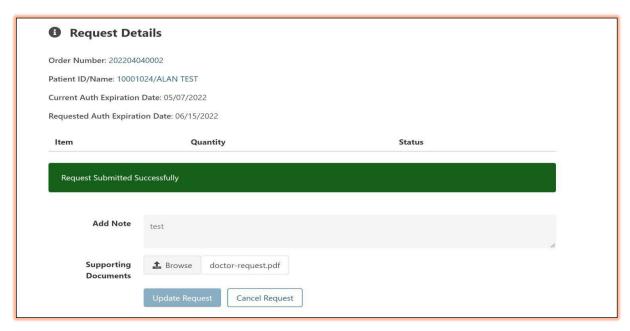
In order to request a new date, the date and notes field are required. You can also upload supporting documents by clicking the browse button.



Once you have added the **NEW AUTH EXPIRATION DATE**, **NOTE**, and **UPLOADED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**, click **Submit Request** to save. You will see a <u>success message</u> display and the fields will display as read only.

### **CANCEL REQUEST**

To cancel a request, select **CANCEL REQUEST**.



If you wish to add notes or documents after you have cancelled a request, you can navigate to the **REQUEST QUEUE** tab in the blue bar at the top of the page and search.

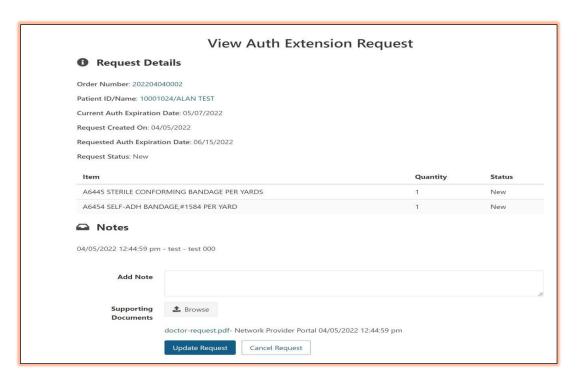
When you click the **DETAILS** button in the grid, you'll see the request you created.

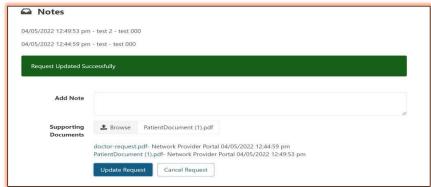


### **UPDATE REQUEST**

Any updates to the request require a note and an optional supporting document.

When you select **UPDATE REQUEST**, you will see the <u>new note and document along with a success message</u>.





If you must cancel your request, select **CANCEL REQUEST**.

The status will changed to **CANCELLED**.







## Adding and Managing Users





### **ADDING & MANAGING USERS**

Once you have been given PORTAL ADMIN access to the MedTrac portal, you will be able to add:

- > Standard User
- > Portal Admin

Sign in to the MedTrac Portal with your **PORTAL ADMIN** username and password.

**IHCS MedTrac Portal** 

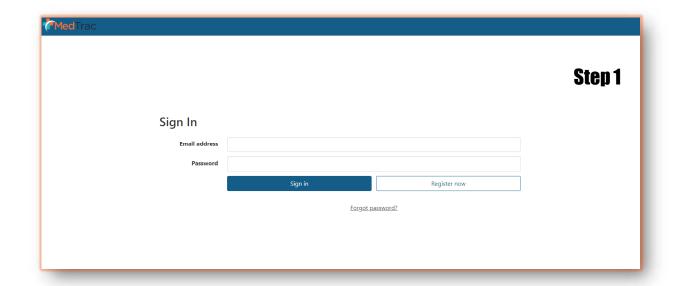
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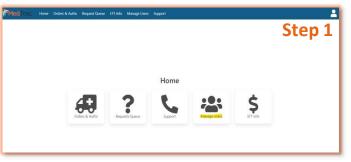
If you have forgottenyour password, click **Forgot Password** for reset.

If you need additional assistance, please email Provider Relations at

PR-Passwordsupport@ihcscorp.com











- **Step 1** Select the **Manage Users**
- Step 2 Enter your Location, then click SEARCH; Once location appears select ADD USER
- Step 3 Complete form: Add First Name, Last Name, Email, Locations, and EFT permissions
  - You will be able to select if the user will have **Standard User** access or **Portal Admin** access.
  - Portal Admin access will allow that user to *create* and *manage* additional users Click **SAVE**

The new Standard User or Portal Admin will receive a verification link via email.

\* Please note the link will expire in 1 hour \*

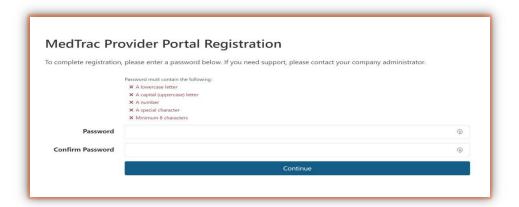
If the link expires, you will need to resubmit.

IHCS needs you to complete your registration process in order to access their Provider Portal. Please click the link below to verify. This link will expire in 1 hours.

https://localhost:44325/#/registration?token=b12c6ed1-c208-44c5-b939-58c397484f8c&email=medsupplycabine@test.com



Once registration has been verified via the link, the User will be required to input a new password.



### **User password must contain the following:**

Password must contain the following:

✓ A lowercase letter

✓ A capital (uppercase) letter

✓ A number

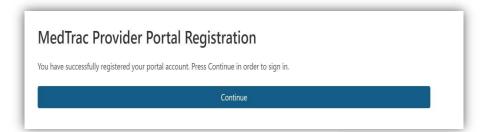
✓ A special character

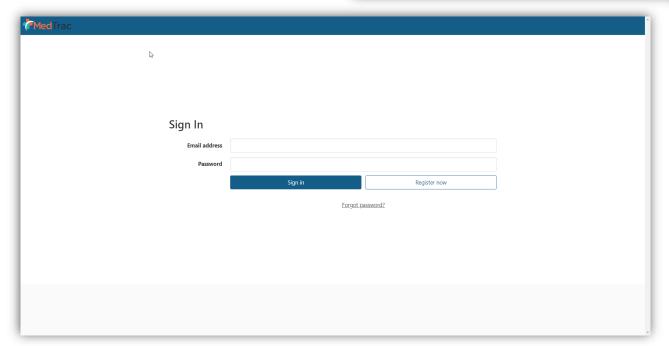
✓ Minimum 8 characters





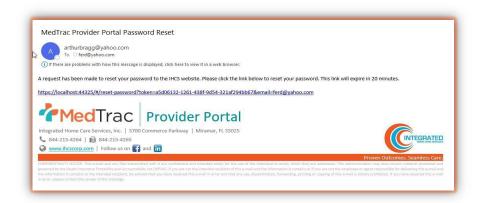
Once the new password is accepted, the User will be redirected to the portal sign-in page.



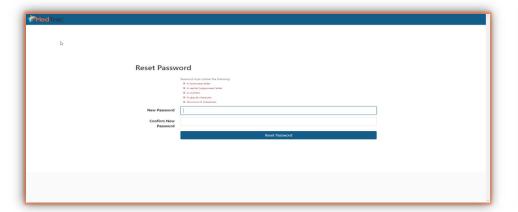


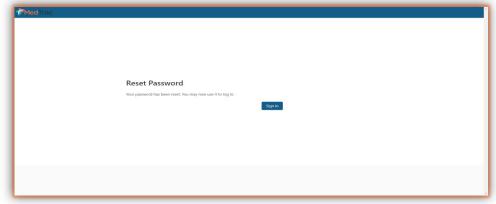


- ➤ Please note, after 5 incorrect password attempts, the account will be locked.
- ➤ If account is locked due to incorrect password, User must click on the Forgot Password hyperlink to reset their password. An email will be sent to the User's registered email with a reset link.



Once the password is reset, the user will be directed to login with the new password.









## EDITING/UPDATING & REVOKING USERS

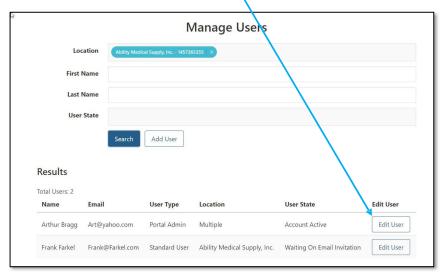




## Portal Admins have access to the Manage Users feature:



The Manage Users page allows searching for users associated with the Network Provider Select EDIT USER:

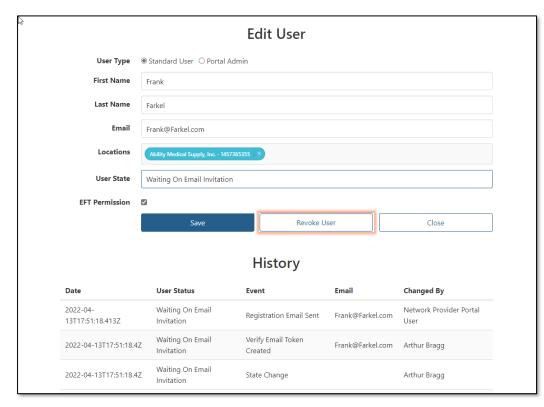




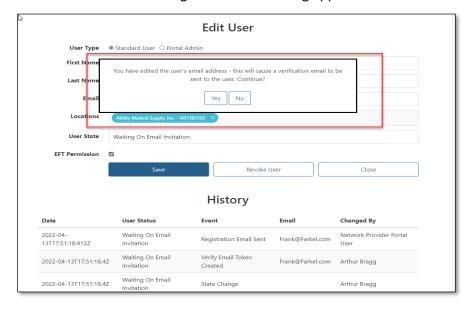
The **Portal Admin** can edit the user and also change the user state, in this case the user can be **REVOKED**. Once a user is **REVOKED**, the Admin will see a "**Resend Registration Email**" button, this is the only way a **REVOKED** user can be re-activated.

**Note**: A **PORTAL ADMIN** has two important restrictions:

- 1. They cannot make themselves a "Standard User"
  - 2. They cannot Revoke their own account



## If the **PORTAL ADMIN** changes/updates a User's email address, the following confirmation dialog appears:



### Email addresses are checked for duplicates:



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### **ADD USER** brings up the Edit page in New User mode:

3	Add User	
User Type	® Standard User O Portal Admin	
First Name		
Last Name		
Email		
Locations		
EFT Permission		
	Save Close	
	History	
No results found.		

If **PORTAL ADMIN** is selected you will no longer see the LOCATION dropdown. PORTAL ADMINS are given automatic access to all locations within the TIN.

3	Add User	
User Type	○ Standard User    ● Portal Admin	
First Name		
Last Name		
Email		
EFT Permission		
	Save	Close
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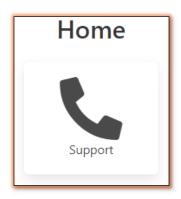


## SUPPORT & PROFILE





The SUPPORT page is accessed by clicking the support tile or the support item in the menu. All users have access to the support page.



### Support

Contact Number for Provider Relations and Services: 844-215-4264 - Option 4

#### Email:

PR-PasswordSupport@ihcscorp.com - To be used when submitting password issues.

EOP@ihcscorp.com - To be used when related to EOB and EOP issues.

EFT@ihcscorp.com - To be used when submitting new EFT requests.

Thank you.

IHCS PR Team



A user can update their email address or password using the **PROFILE** page. To access the **PROFILE** page, a User can hover over the person icon on the top right of the screen, and select **PROFILE**.



This will take the user to the **PROFILE** page.

Profile				
Enter your new password or email below.				
Current Email	providertraining@ihcscorp.com			
New Email Address	providertraining@ihcscorp.com			
	Password must contain the following:  ✓ A lowercase letter  ✓ A capital (uppercase) letter  ✓ A number  ✓ A special character  ✓ Minimum & characters			
New Password				
Confirm New Password				
	Update Profile			

After the User enters their changes, they click **UPDATE PROFILE** and will receive a message with instructions on how to proceed.

Account Settings
Your credentials have been updated. You'll need to sign back in. If you've changed your email address, please check your email for validation instructions first.

## **IMPORTANT LINKS**

- **► MEDTRAC:** <u>https://providers.ihcscorp.com/#/sign-in</u>
  - > IHCS: <a href="https://ihcscorp.com/provider-portal/">https://ihcscorp.com/provider-portal/</a>



## Contact Us

Provider Relations: (844) 215-4264 - Option 4

**Authorization Requests/Inquiries:** (844) 215-4264

Main Fax Line: (844) 215-4265

### **Email:**

Provider Services: Providerservices@ihcscorp.com

Password Reset: PR-PasswordSupport@ihcscorp.com

Provider Training: Providertraining@ihcscorp.com







# Thank You



