## 305R00000X PREFERRED PROVIDER ORGANIZATION Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Code Set

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## 305R00000X Preferred Provider Organization

Taxonomy Code	305R00000X
Status	Active
Level	Level II Classification
Short Name	Preferred Provider Organization
Full Name	Preferred Provider Organization
Level I, Provider Grouping	Managed Care Organizations
Level II, Classification	Preferred Provider Organization
Description	A group of physicians and/or hospitals who contract with an employer to provide services to their employees. In a PPO, the patient may got to the physician of his/her choice, even if that physician does not participate in the PPO, but the patient receives care at a lower benefit level.
Additional Information	Source: "Glossary of terms used in managed care" Developed by the Managed Care Assembly (MCA) of Medical Group Management Association (MGMA), MGM Journal, September/ October 1995, p. 62

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