

Network Provider Update

To: Medi-Cal and Cal MediConnect network participants

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Subject: Department of Health Care Services Medi-Cal Provider Bulletins

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) issued Medi-Cal bulletins during November 2022 with updates on the below topics. We are sharing this update with you to ensure you are aware of the information, and you can apply the information to your practice or facility operations, where appropriate.

1. Bivalent Booster Dose Approved for Select COVID-19 Vaccines
2. Removal of Outdated Manual Sections and Addition of DPH Manual Sections
3. Billing Update to the Axillary Ultrasound for Breast Cancer
4. ICD-10-CM Update for Family PACT and Medi-Cal Family Planning Programs
5. FQHC, RHC, and Tribal Clinic Providers: Abortion Services
6. Follow Up Days Updated for Retina Treatment

For information about the above changes, please refer to [Medi-Cal: Medi-Cal Update - General Medicine | November 2022 | Bulletin 581](#)

7. Updates to the List of O&P Codes
8. Medical Supplies Update: MAPC Change for Nonsterile Gloves

For information about the above changes, please refer to [Medi-Cal: Medi-Cal Update - DME | November 2022 | Bulletin 566](#)

9. Family PACT Adds Oral Contraceptives for Clinic Dispensing

For information about the above change, please refer to [Medi-Cal: Medi-Cal Update - Family Pact | November 2022 | Bulletin 182](#)

Reminders and updates:

- The Proposition 56 Value-Based Payments Program, as described in [APL 22-019](#), ended June 30, 2022. Blue Shield Promise will continue to pay Proposition 56 supplemental payments for services rendered prior to June 30, 2022, provided requests for payment are received within one year of the service date.
- The Proposition 56 Behavioral Health Integration Incentive Program, as described in [APL 22-021](#), will end on December 31, 2022.
- In accordance with [Senate Bill 987](#), known as the California Cancer Care Equity Act, eligible Medi-Cal members with complex cancer diagnoses may request referrals to a National Cancer Institute

(NCI). These designated comprehensive cancer centers are sites affiliated with the NCI Community Oncology Research Program (NCORP) or qualifying academic cancer center.

With any specialty referral, providers are required to submit to the member's assigned IPA/Medical Group for review. If the National Cancer Institute is not contracted with IPA/Medical Group/Blue Shield Promise, they should be treated as an Out-of-Network Request. All Out-of-Network requests require authorization.

- Providers should bill using valid Medi-Cal codes and following Medi-Cal guidelines for modifier requirements. Please visit the Medi-Cal website for detailed billing information.

If you have questions about applying a benefit to Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan members, please call our Provider Services Department at (800) 468-9935 from 6 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.