

Network Provider Update

To: Medi-Cal network participants

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

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) issued Medi-Cal bulletins during **December 2024** 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.

General Medicine

1. Justice-Involved (JI) Reentry Initiative: Rebranding and Screening Portal Updates
2. Rate Update for Specific Contraceptive HCPCS Codes
3. Resources for the Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program
4. Licensed Midwife and Certified Nurse Midwife Categories of Services Removed
5. Required Modifiers for HCPCS Code J0178
6. Required Modifiers for HCPCS Code J2778
7. Age Requirement Updated for Gene Transfer Therapy HCPCS Code J1413
8. Non-Benefit Status for PE4PP CPT Code 87469
9. Benefit Status Effective Date Is Updated for Select Medicine and Radiology Codes
10. Provider Manual Revisions: [chemo drug i-l \(23\)](#); [inject an over \(1, 2\)](#); [inject drug h \(10\)](#); [inject drug m \(24-26\)](#); [just inv \(17\)](#); [medi non hcp \(1\)](#); [modif used \(15, 17\)](#); [non inject \(30-52\)](#); [non spec mental \(4\)](#)

For information about the above changes, please refer to: [Medi-Cal Update - General Medicine | December 2024 | Bulletin 606](#)

Medi-Cal Programs & Eligibility

11. Remittance Advice Detail Code 010: Denials for Duplicate Claims
12. 2025 Whole Child Model Transition
13. December 2024 Update to AEVS: Carrier Codes for Other Health Coverage
14. Medi-Cal Suspended and Ineligible Provider List Is Updated
15. Provider Manual Revisions [mcp code dir \(12\)](#)

For information about the above changes, please refer to: [Medi-Cal Update - Medi-Cal Program & Eligibility | December 2024 | Bulletin 29](#)

Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Supplies

16. 2025 FFS Updates to the List of Contracted Intermittent Urinary Catheters Supplies

17. 2025 Updates to the List of Contracted Advanced Wound Care Products

For information about the above changes, please refer to: [Medi-Cal Update - Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Supplies | December 2024 | Bulletin 591](#)

Family PACT

18. Paragard Intrauterine Copper Contraceptive Single-Hand Inserter

For information about the above changes, please refer to: [Medi-Cal Update - Family PACT | December 2024 | Bulletin 207](#)

Reminders:

- Providers should bill using valid Medi-Cal codes and following Medi-Cal guidelines for modifiers. Please visit the dhcs.ca.gov website for detailed billing and rate information.
- Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act (CLIA) certification number (10-digit code) is required in box 23 of CMS-1500 claim form.
- Laboratories should regularly monitor the [CMS website](#) for new CLIA regulatory requirements.
- Blue Shield Promise requires the JW modifier (indicator of single dose container drug waste) when submitting drug claims.
- For billing and diagnostic purposes, Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorder Associated with Streptococcal Infections (PANDAS) and Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome (PANS) shall be coded as autoimmune encephalitis until the American Medical Association and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services create and assign a specific code or codes.

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.