

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 May 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. 2024 HCPCS Quarter 2 Update
2. Gene Analysis CPT Code 81226 is a Medi-Cal Benefit
3. COVID-19 VFC: Update of Billing Methodology
4. Gene Analysis CPT Code 81227 is a Medi-Cal Benefit
5. Update: Licensed Midwives Contraceptive Codes
6. PLA Code 0352U Policy Update
7. Medi-Cal Coverage and Billing Guidance of Imported Extencilline
8. Rates and Policy Update for HCPCS Codes S9335 and S9339
9. End-Date to ICD-10 CM Codes for 2020 Yearly Clinical Medical Policy
10. CPT Codes 69716 and 69719 Benefit Status Clarification
11. Ventral Hernia Repair Fee-for-Service Rates Update
12. TAR Criteria Update for HCPCS Code J3241
13. Policy Update for HCPCS Code J3060
14. TAR Criteria and Frequency Limit Updated for PLA Code 0329U
15. Place of Service Additions for CPT Codes 99234, 99235 and 99236
16. The Newborn Gateway to Launch in July 2024
17. Income Denials: Instruction to Presumptive Eligibility Providers for 2024 FPLs

For information about the above changes, please refer to: [Medi-Cal Update - General Medicine | May 2024 | Bulletin 599](#)

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: www.cms.hhs.gov/hom/reqsguidance.asp

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.