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DHCS Medi-Cal Provider Screening and Enrollment Requirement

Beginning January 1, 2018, federal law requires that all Alliance-contracted providers are screened and enrolled in the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Medi-Cal Fee-for-Service Program. **If you are already screened and enrolled through DHCS, you have successfully met this requirement.**

Alliance providers have two options for enrolling with the Medi-Cal Fee-for-Service Program. Providers may enroll through (1) DHCS; or (2) through a Managed Care Plan that has a screening and enrollment process substantially equivalent to that of the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS).

* If a provider enrolls through DHCS, the provider is eligible to provide services to Medi-Cal Fee for Service (FFS) beneficiaries and contract with the Alliance.
* If the provider enrolls through a Managed Care Plan, the provider may only provide services to Medi-Cal managed care beneficiaries and may not provide services to Medi-Cal FFS beneficiaries.
* The Alliance is working to implement a screening and enrollment process, which we anticipate will go live no later than 2019. **Until such time as the Alliance screening and enrollment process is implemented, providers contracted with the Alliance are required to enroll directly with DHCS.**

Enrollment through DHCS

* Providers will use the DHCS standardized application form(s) when applying for participation in the DHCS Medi-Cal Program. The application forms are available on the DHCS website at **www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/ApplicationPackagesAlphabeticalbyProviderType.aspx**. DHCS also has a new online portal for enrollment, available at **pave.dhcs.ca.gov/sso/login.do**. To create an account, click on the "Sign Up" button at the top right corner of the page.

Upon successful enrollment through DHCS, providers will have satisfied the Alliance screening and enrollment requirement. Please note that absent successful screening and enrollment through DHCS, a contracted provider's status with the Alliance may change after January 1, 2018.

If you have questions about these new requirements, please contact Alliance Provider Services at (800) 700-3874 ext. 5504.