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Medi-Cal Screening and Enrollment

Effective January 1, 2018, the Central California Alliance for Health (the Alliance) is required by federal law to ensure all new contracted network providers are screened and enrolled in the Department of Health Care Services' (DHCS) Medi-Cal Fee-For-Service Program. All existing network providers are required to be enrolled with Medi-Cal by 12/31/2018. **To avoid potential impact to payment up to and including termination, existing providers must be enrolled with Medi-Cal by 12/31/2018.**

At this point in time, Alliance providers must enroll directly through 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.
- * According to federal regulation (42 CFR 438.602(b)), providers enrolled with DHCS solely for the purpose of participation in an Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan network are not required, but may elect, to render services to Medi-Cal FFS beneficiaries.

Tips and Resources

DHCS offers providers two methods of completing the Screening and Enrollment process:

1. Online via PAVE. An online Provider Application and Validation for Enrollment (PAVE) portal, which is DHCS' secure, web-based application designed to simplify and accelerate enrollment processes, is available at pave.dhcs.ca.gov/sso/register.do.
 - o DHCS encourages providers to use PAVE to the greatest extent possible, as it improves the Medi-Cal enrollment experience, reduces application deficiencies, and significantly accelerates application approval.
 - o Certain Provider types cannot enroll through PAVE yet, please contact the PAVE HelpDesk at (866) 252-1949 to confirm your provider type may use the online portal.
2. Via paper application. Paper applications are available on the Provider Enrollment page of DHCS' website, located at files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/prov_enroll.asp.
 - o Providers will receive a letter from DHCS acknowledging receipt of their application package within approximately 15 days, which includes a six-digit document number. Please reference this number in any follow up correspondence or telephone inquiry to DHCS.

DHCS has reported that processing time for their review and approval of a complete application package may take 60-120 days.

Resources:

- * For general information about the application process, please contact the DHCS Provider Enrollment Division at PEDCorr@dhcs.ca.gov or (916) 323-1945.

If you have questions, please contact an Alliance Provider Services Representative at (800) 700-3874 ext. 5504.