



# PROVIDER *bulletin*

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## MANAGED CARE PROVIDER ENROLLMENT DISCLOSURE

### Background

Beginning January 1, 2018, federal law requires that all managed care network providers must enroll in the Medi-Cal Program if they wish to provide services to Medi-Cal managed care beneficiaries. Managed care providers have two options for enrolling with the Medi-Cal Program. Providers may enroll through (1) DHCS; or (2) a Managed Care Plan (MCP). If a provider enrolls through DHCS, the provider is eligible to provide services to Medi-Cal FFS beneficiaries and contract with MCPs. If the provider enrolls through an MCP, the provider may only provide services to Medi-Cal managed care plan beneficiaries and may not provide services to Medi-Cal FFS beneficiaries.

Generally, federal and state laws and regulations that apply to fee-for-service (FFS) providers will also apply to the enrollment process for managed care providers. Regardless of the enrollment option a provider chooses, the provider is required to enter into two separate agreements - the "Plan Provider Agreement" and the "DHCS Provider Enrollment Agreement." The Plan Provider Agreement is the contract between an MCP and a provider defining their contractual relationship. Enrollment in the DHCS Medi-Cal program does not affect the reimbursement terms of the KHS Participating Provider Agreement (PPA) and, once enrolled, providers will continue to receive the same reimbursement specified in the KHS PPA. The DHCS Provider Enrollment Agreement is the agreement between DHCS and the provider and is required for all providers enrolled in the Medi-Cal program. Registering with the DHCS will ensure providers are able to participate in all Medi-Cal managed care plans and does not obligate providers to participate in Medi-Cal fee-for-service (FFS).

KHS is strongly encouraging our network providers to enroll directly in the State's Medi-Cal program. The State's PAVE portal is a web-based application designed to simplify and accelerate the State's Medi-Cal enrollment process to complete and submit applications, report changes to existing enrollments, and respond to requests for continued enrollment or re-validation.

KHS Network Providers not found, to be actively enrolled in the DHCS Medi-Cal Program, will receive written notification to submit their enrollment within 30-calendar days and failure to apply within the 30-calendar day time frame and be approved by DHCS within its enrollment guidelines will result in provider's termination from the Kern Health System Provider Network. Registering with the DHCS Medi-Cal program will ensure our providers are able to participate in Medi-Cal managed care. The State's PAVE portal is a web-based application designed to simplify and accelerate the State's Medi-Cal enrollment process to complete and submit applications, report changes to existing enrollments, and respond to requests for continued enrollment or re-validation.

DHCS application packages can be found by accessing the PAVE web-based application or a fillable PDF application on-line located on the DHCS website at:

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/ApplicationPackagesAlphabeticalbyProviderType.aspx>

There may be other important aspects of the enrollment process that are not set forth in this information bulletin. Please check the DHCS website for provider enrollment updates. Providers should consult with their own legal counsel before determining which enrollment process best suit its needs and objectives.

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**QUESTIONS & RESOURCES:**

For additional information about enrollment requirements and provider types, visit the DHCS Provider Enrollment website at [http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/prov\\_enroll.asp](http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/prov_enroll.asp)

Additional information can be found at these other resource sites:

<b>DHCS APPLICATION PACKAGES</b>	<a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/ApplicationPackagesAlphabeticalbyProviderType.aspx">http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/ApplicationPackagesAlphabeticalbyProviderType.aspx</a>
<b>DHCS FAQ'S</b>	<a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/ApplicationProcessingQuestions.aspx">http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/ApplicationProcessingQuestions.aspx</a>
<b>DHCS STATUS OF APPLICATION</b>	<a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/ContactPED.aspx">http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/ContactPED.aspx</a>
<b>DHCS PROFILE OF ENROLLED FFS PROVIDERS</b>	<a href="https://data.chhs.ca.gov/dataset/profile-of-enrolled-medi-cal-fee-for-service-ffs-providers-as-of-june-1-2017/resource/d7cd2c98-3454-46c5-810b-b5436b54de3a">https://data.chhs.ca.gov/dataset/profile-of-enrolled-medi-cal-fee-for-service-ffs-providers-as-of-june-1-2017/resource/d7cd2c98-3454-46c5-810b-b5436b54de3a</a>

Sincerely,

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