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Dear Provider:

Kern Health Systems will cover medically necessary screening and testing for the coronavirus (COVID-19). Prior authorization for screening, testing, or treating COVID-19 will **not** be required. Services rendered to Kern Family members should be billed with CPT code U0001.

For additional information regarding COVID-19, you can visit:

<u>California Department of Public Health</u> <u>https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx</u>

<u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</u> <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html</u>

As more facts come to fruition, we will provide additional information. If you have questions, please contact the KHS Provider Relations Department at (661) 664-5000.

Thank you,

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