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APL 21-015

BENEFIT STANDARDIZATION AND MANDATORY MANAGED CARE ENROLLMENT PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ADVANCING AND INNOVATING MEDI-CAL INITIATIVE

Dear Provider:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) issued All Plan Letter (APL) 21-015 which provides guidance on the Benefit Standardization and Mandatory Managed Care Enrollment which is a component of the CalAIM initiative. In an effort to increase standardization, enhance coordination of care, and reduce complexity, the DHCS is standardizing managed care and fee for service enrollment statewide. By standardizing enrollment, members moving between counties will be afforded the same benefits and enrollment requirements.

Timeline

January 1, 2022:

- Requires non-dual population in voluntary or excluded aid code groups to enroll in a Managed Care Plan
 - Trafficking and Crime Victims Assistance Program, except share of cost (non-dual and dual)
 - Individuals participating in accelerated enrollment (non-dual and dual)
 - Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program (BCCTP) (nondual)
 - Beneficiaries with other health coverage (non-dual)
 - Beneficiaries living in specific rural ZIP codes (non-dual)

Kern Health Systems will expand its service area to include enrollees residing in Ridgecrest. With this change, the Plan is proud to service members throughout the entirety of Kern County.

For additional information, please visit:

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/Documents/MMCDAPLsandPolicyLetters/APL2021/APL21-015.pdf>

If you have questions, please contact the KHS Provider Relations Department at (661) 664-5000.

Thank you,

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