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Emergency Broadband Benefit

Dear Provider:

Medi-Cal beneficiaries can receive up to \$50 a month to help cover their internet costs during COVID-19 through the Emergency Broadband Benefit program. Although funding is limited, all Medi-Cal beneficiaries qualify, and it will not affect their health coverage. The monthly discounted internet service will be available until the funds are exhausted, or up to six months after the end of the COVID-19 pandemic. Applications can be submitted by mail:

P.O. Box 7081
London, Kentucky 40742

on-line at:

<https://www.getemergencybroadband.org/>

Additionally, there is a stipend available for members toward qualifying, connected devices such as a laptops, tablets or computers up to \$100 purchased through your internet provider. Members can check a list of internet providers participating in California for more information:

<https://www.fcc.gov/emergency-broadband-benefit-providers#California>

Members are also eligible if one person in the home meets any of the following requirements:

- Loss of income from job loss since February 29, 2020, and income is less than \$99,000 annually, or
- Receive food assistance through SNAP (food stamps), or
- Receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments, or
- Receive Medicaid or
- Receive Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit.

If you have questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative at (661) 664-5000.

Thank you,

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