



KERN HEALTH SYSTEMS

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All Plan Letter 23-015

Proposition 56 Directed Payments for Private Services

Dear Provider,

The Department of Healthcare Services (DHCS) released APL 23-015, Proposition 56 Directed Payments for Private Services on June 9, 2023, superseding APL 19-013.

As a reminder, Kern Health Systems (KHS) is required to pay qualifying rendering providers for qualifying services. To be eligible for the identified reimbursement providers must ensure services are in accordance with APL 23-015.

- ❖ Dates of service on or after July 1, 2017
- ❖ Medical pregnancy termination services
- ❖ Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code 59840 and 59841
- ❖ Payment to be at least:
 - CPT Code 59840: \$400.00
 - CPT Code 59841: \$700.00

Providers excluded from participation in Medicare or Medi-Cal/Medicaid Programs are also not eligible to receive Private Services add-on directed payment funds.

As a reminder, Kern Health Systems (KHS) will make two separate payments. The first payment will be for the original claim submission, paying per Medi-Cal fee schedule/or contracted rate. The second payment will occur the following month for the supplemental payment amount outlined in the APL. KHS utilizes PaySpan to provide remittance advice which will include sufficient information to uniquely identify the qualifying service for which payment was made. To obtain access to PaySpan, please contact 877-331-7154.

Payment will be made in accordance based on the timely payments' standards outlined in the contract for a clean claim or accepted encounter which meets the criteria outlined above. General claim processing rules apply.

Additional information regarding APL 23-015, Proposition 56 Directed Payments for Private Services, is available on the State of California – Health and Human Services Agency, Department of Health Care Services website:

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/Documents/MMCDAPLsandPolicyLetters/APL2023/APL23-015.pdf>

Providers wishing to file a grievance as a result of payment or process issues related to APL 23-015, or for any additional questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative at 800-391-2000 or reference KHS Policy 4.03-P, Provider Disputes Regarding Issues other than Claims:

<https://www.kernfamilyhealthcare.com/providers/policies-and-procedures/>

KHS posts all bulletins on the KHS website, www.kernfamilyhealthcare.com, choose Provider, then Bulletins.

For any questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative at 1-800-391-2000.

Sincerely,

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