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Medi-Cal: Post-PREP COVID-19 Vaccine Policy Update

Dear Provider,

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) published a bulletin noticing the pharmacy providers that coverage for the COVID-19 vaccines under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act ends December 31, 2024. After that, coverage will follow the standard policy for vaccines. Members 18 years or younger will obtain the vaccine through the Vaccine For Children (VFC) program. Members 19 years or older are covered under the Medi-Cal Rx pharmacy benefit.

A link to the bulletin regarding ending of the PREP Act for COVID-19 vaccines may be found here:

 https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/staticassets/documents/provider/publications/2024.12_A_Post-PREP_COVID-19_Policy_Update.pdf

<u>Provider Bulletins</u> are available on the <u>KHS website</u>. Please visit the site regularly to stay informed about the latest updates and announcements.

If you have any additional questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative at 1-800-391-2000.

Sincerely,

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