

Important Reminder: Medi-Cal Carved Out Drugs are Covered by Fee-for-Service (FFS) Medi-Cal and must be Billed Directly to Medi-Cal

At Alameda Alliance for Health (Alliance), we value our dedicated provider partner community. We are sharing an important reminder with you.

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) covers certain drug classifications carved out from Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans (MCP), including the Alliance. Carved-out drugs must be billed to FFS Medi-Cal.

For Medi-Cal members, the following drugs are carved out from the Alliance, and the Alliance is not responsible for covering drugs in these classifications in a professional, outpatient, or inpatient setting:

- Antivirals (HIV/AIDS/Hepatitis B) Drugs
- Alcohol and Heroin Detoxification and Dependency Treatment Drugs
- Blood Factor: Clotting Factor Disorder Treatment Drugs
- Psychiatric/Antipsychotic Drugs

The Alliance routinely reviews drug classifications to ensure our claim and authorization system aligns with the DHCS requirements.

We encourage our provider partners to review the drugs you provide to Alliance Med-Cal members in this classification to ensure they are submitted directly to FFS Medi-Cal. Submission of carved-out drugs to the Alliance may result in non-payment of these claims by the Alliance.

For more information, please visit the additional resources below:

Medi-Cal billing manual, MCP): Single Plan publication: https://mcweb.apps.prd.cammis.medi-cal.ca.gov/assets/11F02F0E-1773-4278-90B3-B934358F0D45/mcpsingle.pdf?access_token=6UyVkRRfByXTZEWIh8j8QaYylPyP5ULO

DHCS All Plan Letter 16-004, Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plans Carved-Out Drugs: www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/Documents/MMCDAPLsandPolicyLetters/APL2016/APL16-004.pdf

We appreciate and thank you for the high quality care you give your patients and your continued partnership in making a difference in our community.

Questions? Please call the Alliance Provider Services Department

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