

Important Update: Effective January 1, 2020 Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Trauma Screening

Alameda Alliance for Health (Alliance) values our dedicated provider partner community. We have an important update we would like to share with you.

In an ongoing effort to improve health throughout our state and community, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), in conjunction with the California Office of the Surgeon General, aims to reduce Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and toxic stress by half in one generation. Effective, Wednesday, January 1, 2020, the Alliance will cover trauma screenings on an ongoing basis for all Alliance Medi-Cal members up to 65 years of age.

The Governor's 2019-2020 budget includes funding from Proposition 56 to support trauma screenings and provider training opportunities. Trainings will help equip Medi-Cal providers with tools to screen, detect, and respond to children and adults for ACE.

In order to perform screening for ACEs, Medi-Cal providers must complete the provider training at www.acesaware.org/screen/provider-training. The training takes two (2) hours to complete and will provide continuing medication education (CME) and Maintenance of Certification (MOC) credit.

Providers must attest to completing the certified ACEs training by Wednesday, July 1, 2020 on the DHCS website at www.dhcs.ca.gov.

For more information about the training, including screening tools, resources, and information about certification and payments, please visit **www.acesaware.org**. You can also call the Alliance Provider Services Department at **1.510.747.4510**.

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

Questions? Please call the Alliance Provider Services Department

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