Discontinuation of COVID-19 Emergency Fee-For-Service Medi-Cal Enrollment

On March 23, 2020, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) published the regulatory provider bulletin titled, "Requirements and Procedures for Emergency Medi-Cal Provider Enrollment," which established Medi-Cal provider enrollment requirements and procedures for providers seeking enrollment in order to assist Medi-Cal beneficiaries during the national COVID-19 public health emergency (PHE).

In accordance with Welfare & Institutions (W&I) Code Section 14043.75(b) and as authorized by the Section 1135 waiver granted by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Director established amended enrollment requirements and procedures for providers to temporarily and provisionally enroll in the Medi-Cal program during the PHE. These requirements implement and make specific W&I Code Sections 14043.26 and 14043.15, and as such have the full force and effect of law.

Effective March 24, 2023, DHCS is discontinuing the provider enrollment flexibilities authorized by the Section 1135 waiver. Providers temporarily and provisionally enrolled under the amended enrollment requirements who wish to remain enrolled in Fee-For-Service Medi-Cal following the discontinuation of the provider enrollment flexibilities are required to submit a complete application for their provider type and meet all program requirements if they have not already done so. Providers will have 90 days from the end of the waiver period to submit an application for enrollment via PAVE. Providers who have not submitted an application by (90 days after this bulletin effective date) will have their temporary enrollment deactivated effective June 23, 2023 (91 days after this bulletin effective date).

No further action is required for providers who do not wish to remain enrolled following the discontinuation of the provider enrollment flexibilities.

Please note: Providers temporarily and provisionally enrolled in Medi-Cal must submit a new application for enrollment AND email PED at PEDEmergencyEnrollments@dhcs.ca.gov with their PAVE Application ID for expedited processing and assistance.