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Local Educational Agency Medi-Cal Billing Option Program

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LEA BOP UPDATE

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To All Local Educational Agency Medi-Cal Billing Option Program (LEA BOP) Providers:

During the recent public health emergency, the federal government allowed flexibilities for the provision of telehealth services. Now that the public health emergency, and associated telehealth flexibilities, has ended, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is reaching out to inform you of the current telehealth policies.

What you need to know

- The [LEA BOP Provider Manual](#) (section titled Local Educational Agency: Telehealth, *loc ed tele*) has been updated to reflect the post-public health emergency policy, effective for services rendered on or after May 12, 2023.
- All LEA services covered under the LEA BOP may be billed by participating LEAs when performed via telehealth, except for services, such as specialized medical transportation services, that preclude a telehealth modality.
- Practitioners rendering services via telehealth must be licensed, credentialed, or registered in California to render those health care services.
- Trained health care aides are not reimbursable for telehealth services.

Why this is important

Since the COVID-19 public health emergency has ended, it is important for providers to be aware of the telehealth policy for the LEA BOP.

We are here to help

- For information regarding the LEA BOP, please visit the [LEA BOP website](#).
- For general LEA BOP questions, e-mail DHCS at LEA@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

LEA BOP Staff

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