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Medi-Cal

Important Provider Notice: #0396 (update to IPN #0354 and #0324)

**Subject: Mid-Level Rendering Physicians Update** 

Effective for claims received on or after September 1, 2018, Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC) followed the State of California Medi-Cal billing requirements for Non-Physician Medical Practitioners. This includes Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners and Certified Nurse Midwives (CNM – when billing for assistant surgeons only). Services rendered by these individuals must be performed under the general supervision of a physician. The supervising physician must enter his/her National Provider Identification (NPI) number in the rendering physician field, box 24-J of the CMS1500 claim form, on each applicable claim line.

Claims submitted to PHC by Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC), Rural Health Centers (RHC), or Indian Health Services (IHS-MOA) providers are excluded from the State of California Medi-Cal billing requirements for Non-Physician Medical Practitioners as documented in the Medi-Cal Provider manual. Additionally, claims submitted on a UB-04 form (CMS-1500) or Payment Request for Long Term Care form (25-1) or via their electronic equivalent will no longer be subject to billing requirements for Non-Physician Medical Practitioners and will not reject for this reason.

Gaps in this process were identified recently which caused some FQHC/RHC/IHS claims to be rejected in error.

For claims that were previously rejected between the dates of 4/1/20 and 5/11/20, we encourage you to resubmit your rejected claims electronically for payment consideration. Please visit Online Services or contact PHC EDI Enrollment & Testing at (707) 863-4527 to enroll as an electronic claim Trading Partner.

Providers have 365 days from the date of service to submit claims to PHC for payment consideration and six months to eCIF a claim from the original date of the payment or denial on the PHC RA.

For further information regarding this process, please contact the PHC Claims Department at (707) 863-4130.