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**Date: 6/30/2023**

**Medi-Cal**

**Important Provider Notice: #466**

**Subject: Discontinuation of Section 1135 Waiver Flexibilities Relative to COVID-19 – Prior Authorization Requirements**

On February 9, 2023, the States received a 90-day notice from the federal government confirming that the federal Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Public Health Emergency (PHE) will end on May 11, 2023, thereby terminating the flexibilities associated with the waiver.

While, DHCS has reinstated pre-PHE prior authorization requirements effective 5/12/23, Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC) will resume pre-PHE treatment authorization (TAR) and referral (RAF) requirements effective for date of service on and after 8/1/23. Please visit the PHC website for the most current RAF and TAR policies and submission requirements.

For questions related to claims and billing requirements, please contact the PHC Claims Department at (707) 863-4130.