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“I am often reminded of the adage, ‘If you are not at the table, then you could be on the menu.’ If I am not getting out and having my voice heard by those who make decisions, I am not doing my job.

– Pat Rusk, elementary school teacher and former president of the Utah Education Association

Promoting Rural Health Equity and Obstetrical Access

In an energetic meeting marked by some controversy, California physicians debated priorities for supporting health care in rural parts of California and ensuring access to safe obstetrical services at the California Medical Association (CMA) House of Delegates (HOD) meeting in Sacramento, October 26-27, 2024.

CMA membership is dominated by physicians working in urban and large suburban areas, especially those working at large medical groups such as Kaiser and Sutter. Although the two issues under discussion were especially important for rural clinicians ...

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Breaking News

Targeted Rate Increase Policy

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), which operates the Medi-Cal program, has finalized the calendar year (CY) 2024 Managed Care Organization Provider Tax Targeted Rate Increase (TRI) policy. This policy establishes a reimbursement floor for a subset of providers and Medi-Cal procedure codes. Full details can be found on the DHCS [website](#).

To inform our providers/physicians about this policy, we will be hosting two identical webinars on...

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Mandatory Enrollment for Foster Youth in Single-Plan Counties in 2025

Effective January 1, 2025, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will mandatorily enroll Foster Youth and Former Foster Youth Medi-Cal members living specifically in single-plan counties (i.e., Alameda, Contra Costa, and Imperial) to transition from Medi-Cal FFS to enroll as members in an MCP.

Currently, foster children and youth and former foster children and youth are...

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Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Training Requirement

As of January 1, 2024, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) required all managed care plans to ensure network providers complete Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) specific training no less than every two years.

In order to stay compliant with DHCS, Partnership HealthPlan of California is requesting...

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Partnership Educational Opportunities

Supervising Community Health Worker Provider Webinar

Tuesday, December 3, 2024
Noon to 1 p.m.

[Click here to register](#)

Join us to hear more about allowed services, billing requirements, and how your CHW/P/Rs can provide services to Partnership members.



Doula Pathway Webinar

Tuesday, January 7, 2025
Noon to 1 p.m.

[Click here to register](#)

Join Partnership HealthPlan of California as we discuss doula benefits and the contracting process for doulas. This is an educational opportunity for doulas who are interested in becoming part of Partnership's network.



ABCs of Quality Improvement - Ukiah

Thursday, January 30, 2025

8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ukiah Valley Conference Center

200 S. School Street, Ukiah

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