



To: All Medi-Cal PCPs & Specialists
From: IEHP – Provider Relations & Pharmacy
Date: July 11, 2022
Subject: **Medi-Cal Rx Gradual Reinstatement of PAs – Phase 1**

Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) would like to advise you that beginning August 1, 2022, DHCS will begin reinstating **mandatory PAs* for NEW prescriptions of the following eleven (11) medication classes:**

- Diuretics
- Lipotropics, including statins and omega-3-fatty acids
- Hypoglycemics, including glucagon
- Coronary vasodilators (nitrates and pulmonary arterial hypertension agents)
- Cardiovascular agents, including antiarrhythmics and inotropes
- Anticoagulants and antiplatelets
- Niacin, Vitamin B and Vitamin C Products

***For efficient electronic submission, please utilize CoverMyMeds to submit prior authorization requests.**

To ensure safe and timely delivery of pharmacy benefits, this is the first step in the state's plan to gradually implement mandatory PAs for new prescriptions. This fall, PAs will be required for an additional 71 medications (more information to follow).

As appropriate, prescribers may transition members from non-Contract Drugs List (CDL) to CDL products, reducing need for PAs.

For more assistance regarding Medi-Cal Rx updates, visit online at <http://www.MediCalRx.dhcs.ca.gov> or call Customer Service at 1-800-977-2273 24 hours a day, seven days a week or 711 for TTY Monday thru Friday, 8am to 5pm.

As a reminder, all communications sent by IEHP can also be found on our Provider portal at: www.iehp.org > Providers > Plan Updates > Correspondences

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the IEHP Provider Relations Team at (909) 890-2054 or (866) 223-4347 or email ProviderServices@iehp.org.