



Medi-Cal Rx

# CalAIM Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative and Medi-Cal Rx

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## Background

Later this year, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will launch the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Justice-Involved (JI) Reentry Initiative to support the delivery of Medi-Cal benefits and services to eligible Californians who are incarcerated in county jails, youth correctional facilities, and state prisons. Beginning 90 days before release from custody, Medi-Cal will provide reimbursement for a targeted set of medical and pharmacy services. By establishing pre-release Medi-Cal enrollment strategies, the JI Initiative aims to ensure that JI-eligible members maintain continuity of health care coverage upon their release.

As the statewide Medi-Cal Pharmacy Benefits Administrator (PBA), Medi-Cal Rx will partner with prescribers and pharmacies to provide outpatient medications, medical supplies, and enteral nutrition products to JI-eligible members for the 90-day period prior to release, in-hand upon release, and a prescription(s) for refills(s) to provide post-release continuity of pharmacy benefits as the Medi-Cal member reenters the community.

Medi-Cal Rx welcomes the new partnerships and the opportunity to support the CalAIM JI Reentry Initiative.

## What Stakeholders Need to Know

The CalAIM JI Reentry Initiative will launch with implementation in a few select counties. Thereafter, the remaining counties and the statewide prison system will implement the CalAIM JI Reentry Initiative pursuant to DHCS' determination of readiness.

Detailed information will be released in the forthcoming months including links to key resources, dates for training, and information concerning support services for pharmacies and prescribers serving this population.

## What Stakeholders Need to Do

Stakeholders are encouraged to begin reviewing the following resources to learn more about Medi-Cal Rx and the CalAIM JI Reentry Initiative.

### Medi-Cal Rx Resources

- Visit the [Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal](#) to review a wide variety of resources and information and navigate to the [Medi-Cal Rx Provider Portal](#).

- Refer to the [Forms & Information](#) page on the [Medi-Cal Rx Provider Portal](#) for reference materials and training.
- Refer to the [Medi-Cal Rx Provider Welcome Packet](#) regarding becoming a Medi-Cal Rx provider and to review information about finance, claim submission, and prior authorization (PA) requests.
- Refer to the [Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual](#), which is a comprehensive guide for providers participating in Medi-Cal Rx, for information about Medi-Cal Rx policies, procedures, and more.
- For a list of covered products, refer to the [Contract Drugs & Covered Products Lists](#) page on the [Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal](#).

## CalAIM JI Reentry Initiative Resources

- Refer to the [Justice-Involved Initiative](#) page for more information, news, and resources about the CalAIM JI Reentry Initiative.
- Refer to the [Policy and Operational Guide for Planning and Implementing the CalAIM Justice-Involved Initiative](#) for the most current policy information.
- For information about Justice-Involved medical claims, refer to the [Justice-Involved Initiative: An Overview](#) page on the DHCS website.

Sign up for the [Medi-Cal Rx Subscription Service \(MCRxSS\)](#) to receive notification of future Medi-Cal Rx alerts to your email.

## Contact Information

You can call the Medi-Cal Rx Customer Service Center (CSC) at 1-800-977-2273, which is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days per year.

For other questions, email Medi-Cal Rx Education & Outreach at [MediCalRxEducationOutreach@primetherapeutics.com](mailto:MediCalRxEducationOutreach@primetherapeutics.com).