

Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative Now Implemented in Inyo, Santa Clara, and Yuba Counties

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Effective October 1, 2024, the Justice-Involved (JI) Reentry Initiative has been <u>implemented</u> in Inyo, Santa Clara, and Yuba counties. Refer to the <u>CalAIM Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative</u> <u>Implementation for Inyo, Santa Clara, and Yuba Counties</u> alert for more information.

Background

On January 26, 2023, California became the <u>first state in the nation</u> approved to offer a targeted set of Medicaid (Medi-Cal in California) services to youth and eligible adults in state prisons, county jails, and youth correctional facilities for up to 90 days prior to release. For eligible Californians, the Initiative includes pre-release Medi-Cal enrollment strategies, Medi-Cal Rx benefits and services post-release to ensure individuals have continuity of coverage upon their release, and access to vital services to help them successfully return to their communities. Refer to the alert titled <u>CalAIM Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative and Medi-Cal Rx</u> for more information.

Why This Is Important

Beginning on October 1, 2024, pharmacy providers supporting the JI Reentry Initiative in approved counties can begin submitting pharmacy claims and prior authorization (PA) requests for eligible members to Medi-Cal Rx for outpatient medications, specific medical supplies, and/or enteral nutrition products that are covered under the Medi-Cal Rx pharmacy benefit.

For a list of covered products, refer to the <u>Contract Drugs & Covered Products Lists</u> page on the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal</u>.

What Stakeholders Should Do

Stakeholders in approved counties are encouraged to attend the dedicated Medi-Cal Rx Office Hours. More information with dates and login details will be sent directly to stakeholders in the implemented counties.

All interested stakeholders should review the following resources to learn more about Medi-Cal Rx and the Initiative.

Medi-Cal Rx Resources

 Refer to the <u>Provider Application and Validation for Enrollment (PAVE) portal</u> for information about completing and submitting applications, reporting changes to existing

- enrollments, and responding to Provider Enrollment Division (PED)-initiated requests for continued enrollment or enroll revalidations.
- Visit the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal</u> to review a wide variety of resources and information and navigate to the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Provider Portal</u>.
- Visit the <u>Education & Outreach</u> page on the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal</u> for resources and training materials.
- Refer to the <u>Forms & Information</u> page on the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Provider Portal</u> for reference materials and training.
- Refer to the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Provider Welcome Packet</u> for information about how to do business successfully with Medi-Cal Rx.
- Refer to the Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual for Medi-Cal Rx coverage and billing policies.
 - Refer to the PA Request Overview section of the Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual for quidelines on submitting a PA request.
 - Note: Effective October 1, 2024, Appendix C has been updated to include California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) JI Reentry Initiative aid codes.
- For assistance with submitting PA requests through Medi-Cal Rx, review the <u>Five Ways to Submit a Prior Authorization Request</u> flyer.
- Refer to the YouTube video titled <u>Submitting a Prior Authorization (PA) Request via the Medi-Cal Rx Secured Provider Portal.</u>
- For assistance submitting web claims through Medi-Cal Rx, review the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Web</u> <u>Claims Submission User Guide</u>.
- Refer to the <u>Claim Submission Reminders</u> for guidelines on accurately submitting pharmacy claims.
- Refer to the <u>Contract Drugs & Covered Products Lists</u> page on the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal</u>.
- Refer to the YouTube video titled <u>Medi-Cal Rx CDL and Approved NDC List Navigation</u>.

JI Reentry Initiative Resources

- Refer to the <u>CalAIM Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative and Medi-Cal Rx</u> and <u>CalAIM</u> Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative Implementation for Inyo, Santa Clara, and Yuba Counties alerts.
- Refer to the <u>Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative</u> page for more information, news, and resources about the Initiative.
- Refer to the <u>Policy and Operational Guide for Planning and Implementing the CalAIM</u>
 <u>Justice-Involved Initiative</u> for the most current policy information.
- For information about JI medical claims, refer to the <u>Justice-Involved Initiative</u>: <u>An Overview</u> page on the DHCS website.

Sign up for the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Subscription Service (MCRxSS)</u> 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.