

## Network Provider Update

To: Medi-Cal network participants December 2023

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Subject: All Plan Letter 23-030: Medi-Cal Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative-Related State Guidance

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) recently issued <u>All Plan Letter (APL) 23-030</u>, "Medi-Cal Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative-Related State Guidance." We are sharing a summary of this APL with you to ensure you are aware of the information, and you can apply the information to your practice or facility operations, where appropriate.

APL 23-030 introduces the "Policy and Operational Guide for Planning and Implementing CalAIM Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative," which contains requirements for the new Medi-Cal demonstration program that aims to stabilize an individual's health conditions and establish post-release community supports for them during the 90 days prior to their release from a correctional facility.

## **APL** summary

- California is the first state to receive federal approval to offer a specific set of Medicaid-based services to justice-involved individuals.
- The goal of the initiative is to build a bridge to community-based care for justice-involved Medi-Cal members.
- The guide will be located on the <u>Justice-Involved Initiative website</u> and updated on an ongoing basis to reflect new policy decisions and operational requirements.

This summary is only meant as a brief description of the APL. Please see the APL itself for additional background and the complete requirements. The full text of APL 23-030 may be found at this URL: <a href="https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/Documents/MMCDAPLsandPolicyLetters/APL2023/APL23-030.pdf">https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/Documents/MMCDAPLsandPolicyLetters/APL2023/APL23-030.pdf</a> (Links to the DHCS.ca.gov website will take you off of the Blue Shield Promise website.)

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