

## Network Provider Update

To: Medi-Cal Network Participants  
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### **Subject: Department of Health Care Services Medi-Cal Provider Bulletins**

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The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) issued Medi-Cal bulletins during January 2021 with updates on several topics. We are sharing these updates with you to ensure you are aware of the information, and you can apply the information to your practice or facility operations, where appropriate.

1. Infectious Agent Antigen Detection by Immunoassay Is a Medi-Cal Benefit
2. Rates Are Updated for CPT COVID-19 Testing Codes 87636, 87637 and 87811
3. 2021 Quarter 1 HCPCS Updates Not Yet Adopted
4. Teprotumumab-trbw Is a New Medi-Cal Benefit
5. Policy Updates for Selected Injection HCPCS Codes
6. Alcohol or Substance Misuse Assessments No Longer Medi-Cal Benefits
7. Updates to Billing Policy for Lanreotide
8. Update to Age Limit for Preventive Medicine Services
9. Updated Policy Effective Date for Billing Immune Globulins

For information about the above changes, please refer to the Medi-Cal Update – [Medi-Cal: Medi-Cal Update - General Medicine | January 2021 | Bulletin 559](#)

10. Scales Are Added as a Medi-Cal Benefit
11. Frequency Update to Disposable Collection and Storage Bags for Breast Milk
12. TENS Units and NMES Devices Are Non-Taxable
13. Updates to the List of Contracted Incontinence Absorbent Products

Read the [Medi-Cal: Medi-Cal Update - Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Supplies | January 2021 | Bulletin 544](#)

14. Temporary COVID-19 Increase for Distinct Part Adult Subacute (DPASA) Rates

Read the [Medi-Cal: Medi-Cal Update - Long Term Care | January 2021 | Bulletin 527](#)

15. Annual Hospice Reimbursement Rates Update

Read the [Medi-Cal: Medi-Cal Update - Hospice Care Program | January 2021 | Bulletin 556](#)

If you have questions about applying a benefit to Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan members, please call our Provider Customer Care Department at **(800) 468-9935** from 6 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Reminder:**

Providers should bill using valid Medi-Cal codes. Please visit the Medi-Cal website for detailed billing information.

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