MEDIA ADVISORY



TOMORROW: DHCS TO ANNOUNCE KEY STEP TOWARD TRANSFORMING MEDI-CAL

SACRAMENTO – On August 25, 2022, Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Director Michelle Baass and Chief Deputy Director and State Medicaid Director Jacey Cooper will hold a press call to announce planned contract awards to Medi-Cal managed care plans. Beginning on January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2028, the plans will be required to meet new and enhanced requirements that aim to advance equity and improve health outcomes for millions of Medi-Cal members.

The Medi-Cal managed care plan contracts are part of California's first ever statewide commercial managed care plan procurement effort, which will transform the Medi-Cal program and ensure members receive more holistic, coordinated, and integrated care. **The Notices of Intent to Award (NOIAs) will be posted on the DHCS website by 1 p.m. on August 25.**

Director Baass and Chief Deputy Director Cooper will explain how this procurement and the 2024 managed care plan contract will help improve equity, quality, access, and the transparency of California's Medi-Cal delivery system.

A press release on the announcement will be posted here, and more information is available here.

WHAT: Press Conference to Announce Selection of Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans

WHO: DHCS Director Michelle Baass and Chief Deputy Director and State Medicaid Director Jacey Cooper

WHEN: Thursday, August 25, 2022, from 1:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. PDT

WHERE: (888) 946-7494; participant passcode 9800279

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