

Subject: DHCS-LEA BOP: ACEs Screenings Implementation

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To All Local Educational Agency Medi-Cal Billing Option Program (LEA BOP) Providers, The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is committed to providing LEAs with the information they need to take full advantage of the benefits available under the LEA BOP. This e-blast notifies LEA BOP Providers that the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) screenings are now billable under the LEA BOP using Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes G9919 and G9920.

Here's what you need to know:

1. Effective September 26, 2022, claims using CPT codes G9919 and G9920 can be billed to the LEA BOP for dates of service on or after July 1, 2022.
2. The new procedure codes are defined as:
 - CPT code G9919 - This CPT code is used when a screening is performed, and it is determined that the beneficiary's ACE score is 4 or greater. This is used for patients who have a high risk for toxic stress with a screening score of 4 or greater.
 - CPT code G9920 - This CPT code is used when a screening is performed, and it is determined that the beneficiary's ACE score is 0 to 3. This is used for patients who have a lower risk for toxic stress with a screening score of 0 to 3.

The LEA BOP Provider Manual has been updated to reflect these changes.

If you have any questions, please e-mail LEA@DHCS.CA.gov.

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Sincerely,

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