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The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is providing notification to Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) currently enrolled in the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program that DHCS's Provider Enrollment Division (PED) has updated the enrollment rules effective for all Ordering, Referring and Prescribing (ORP) application packages received on or after March 20, 2018.

The effective date of enrollment for an approved DHCS 6219 form or equivalent PAVE e-Form shall be **one year prior to the date** DHCS received the complete application package, except:

- If DHCS receives the application package, but finds that the licenses, certificates and/or other approval to provide health care of the applicant were obtained at a date later than one year prior to the date when DHCS received the application for enrollment, the effective date of the notice shall be the date the applicant obtained all necessary licenses, certificates and/or other approval to provide health care.
- If an applicant fails to resubmit a complete application package within 60 days from the date that the notice of deficiency is sent to the applicant pursuant to W&I Code, Section 14043.26(h), then DHCS treats any subsequent resubmission of an application package as a new application received, and the effective date of the application will be one year prior to the date DHCS received the new application package.

For full reference, please see the bulletin linked below:

http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/Publications/masters-other/provappsenroll/PED_Enrollment_Effective_Date_ORP_Bulletin_26683.pdf

This is a change from the previous policy, which stated that ORP practitioner enrollment in Medi-Cal was effective from the day DHCS received the practitioner's application. DHCS has **updated the LEA Program ORP Practitioner Guide and Frequently Asked Questions** to reflect this rule change. For more information regarding the LEA Program ORP requirements, please refer to the following direct links: [Policy and Procedure Letter 18-018](#), [ORP Guide](#), and [FAQs](#).