

Stakeholder News

Dear Stakeholders,

The Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) recently <u>announced</u> that the Uninsured Program will stop accepting claims for testing, treatment, and vaccination claims due to insufficient funds.

However, DHCS will still accept claims for individuals enrolled in the COVID-19 Uninsured Group Program. Individuals must apply for the COVID-19 Uninsured Group Program through a Medi-Cal Qualified Provider (QP). QPs are providers of the following programs: Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Women, Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program, Hospital Presumptive Eligibility, and Child Health and Disability Prevention. Providers must submit applications via the COVID-19 Uninsured Group Application Portal. Providers can submit their COVID-19 testing, testing-related, and treatment claims to DHCS for claims processing.

As a reminder, the COVID-19 Uninsured Group Program is authorized under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act enacted in March 2020. The COVID-19 Uninsured Group Program will end the last day of the calendar month in which the federal COVID-19 public health emergency ends. For questions or concerns, please email COVID19Apps@dhcs.ca.gov.

Thank you,

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