

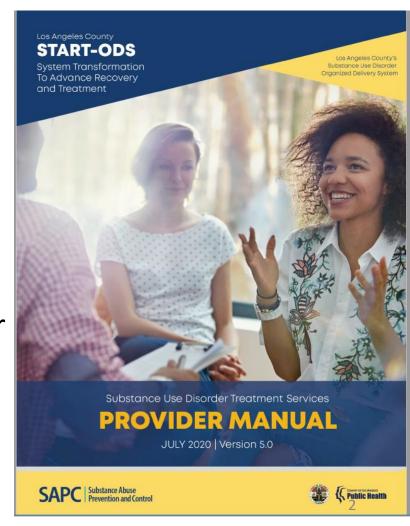
30-Day Medi-Cal Application Enrollment Policy

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30-Day Medi-Cal Application Enrollment Policy

- On July 1, 2020 curtailed the 60-day Medi-Cal Application Enrollment Policy
- Instituted 30-day Medi-Cal Application policy
- Purpose of the Policy:
 - Facilitates access to care,
 - Prohibited the denial of services pending establishment of Medi-Cal or My Health LA benefits or be charged any fees for the provision of services,
 - Limited one 30-day reimbursement per patient (regardless of agency or level of care) per fiscal year.





30-Day Medi-Cal Application Enrollment Policy

- SAPC <u>will continue</u> the 30-Day Medi-Cal Application Enrollment Policy through June 30, 2021.
- SAPC will reimburse Providers up to 30-days of treatment while the benefit is established.
- Reimbursement will not exceed 30 days of treatment.



Provider Responsibilities

- Initiate the enrollment process immediately upon admission.
- Assisting all eligible beneficiaries with obtaining and maintaining Medi-Cal or My Health LA benefits.
- Utilize Case Management benefit to assist patients with enrolling, acquiring and maintaining Medi-Cal.
- Authorizations, along with completed required documents must be submitted within 30 days of admission.
- Providers take full financial responsibility for treatment provided beyond the 30th day for patients who are deemed ineligible.



Provider Responsibilities (Cont.)

- In situations where patients are not eligible for Medi-Cal determine if the patient is eligible for other county funding sources (AB 109, DCFS)
- Verify Medi-Cal eligibility prior to admission and at the beginning of every month.
- To Verify Medi-Cal enrollment:
 - Real-Time 270/271 Eligibility Request within Sage (SAPC Requirement)
 - Automated Eligibility Verification System (AEVS)
 - Point of Service (P.O.S.) device
 - DHCS Medi-Cal eligibility transaction





SAPC Responsibilities

- Release IN outlining provider expectations for the continuation of 30-Day Medi-Cal Application policy
- Track providers use of the 30-Day Medi-Cal Application Policy
 - Identifying providers who are frequent users
- Monitor continued cost of the policy
- Determine continuation of the 30-Day Medi-Cal Application
 Policy post June 30, 2021



Resources

SAPC Patient & Public Webpage Resources

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/sapc/PatientPublic.htm

DPSS YBN!

https://yourbenefits.laclrs.org/ybn/Index.html

My Health LA (MHLA)

https://dhs.lacounty.gov/more-dhs/departments/my-health-la-mhla/

LA County Department of Public Social Services

https://dpss.lacounty.gov/en.html

RESOURCES

- Recovery
- Treatment Brochure (English)
- Treatment Brochure (Spanish)
- 2019/2020 Approved Alternate Access Standard (New)
- Apply for Medi-Cal via Your Benefits Now
- Apply for My Health LA

Health Net Plan Website

L.A. Care Health Plan Website

LA County Department of Mental Health

LA County Department of Health Services

LA County Department of Public Social Services



THANK YOU

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