



To: IEHP Direct DualChoice PCPs – Billing Department

From: IEHP – Quality Programs

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Subject: Medicare P4P IEHP Direct – Blood Pressure Control Billing Guidance

Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) would like to remind Providers of the proper billing guidance for **Medicare P4P IEHP Direct Program Blood Pressure Control** service.

Please review and update your billing process **immediately** to avoid payment recoupment.

Submissions for the Blood Pressure Control service for the Medicare P4P IEHP Direct Program <u>must</u> meet all the following criteria:

- ✓ Must be an active IEHP Direct DualChoice Primary Care Physician (PCP).
- Bill the Medicare P4P IEHP Direct **Blood Pressure Control** incentive **ONLY for Members** who are:
 - Assigned to IEHP Direct DualChoice
 - o 18 to 85 years of age AND previously diagnosed with hypertension

NOTE: This service <u>should not</u> be billed for Medi-Cal Members or DualChoice Members assigned to IPAs.

- ✓ To qualify for the **Blood Pressure Control P4P** financial incentive, codes must be selected and submitted from the coding tables in the Medicare P4P IEHP Direct Program Guide, found here or www.iehp.org > Providers > P4P Proposition 56 GEMT
 - o One code billed for the appropriate hypertension diagnosis for the Member
 - o One code billed for systolic blood pressure level with a "ZZ" modifier
 - One code billed for a diastolic blood pressure level with a "ZZ" modifier
- ✓ One (1) Blood Pressure Control service is billable for the P4P incentive one (1) time per Member, per year.

Providers who do not meet the criteria mentioned above <u>should not bill</u> for the Blood Pressure Control Medicare P4P IEHP Direct incentive.

NOTE: Failure to follow this guidance will result in Provider payment recoupment.

All As a reminder, all IEHP communications can be found at: www.providerservices.iehp.org > Provider Central > News and Updates > Notices

For further questions, connect with the IEHP Provider Call Center at (909) 890-2054 or (866) 223-4347 or email ProviderServices@iehp.org or connect with IEHP's Quality Department QualityPrograms@iehp.org.