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### TRAINING SEMINARS

To reserve a spot online or to view a complete list of training seminars, to go the Provider Training Seminar Schedule.

Please note: Due to the COVID-19 situation, all seminars will be held as webinars.

#### PROVIDER ENROLLMENT **ASSISTANCE LINE**

Speak with an Enrollment Specialist. Go here for more information.

Available every Wednesday 8am - 4pm

# Important: California **COVID-19 Vaccination** Program Survey

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) requests all Medi-Cal dental providers complete this two-question survey to gauge provider interest in the California COVID-19 **Vaccination Program**. The results will be utilized to assess how DHCS can support Medi-Cal dental providers who want to take part in vaccination efforts. Providers are encouraged to complete the survey by February 26, 2021.

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-39-20, during the COVID-19 pandemic State of Emergency, the Director of the California Department of Consumer Affairs may waive any statutory or regulatory professional licensing requirements and amend scopes of practice pertaining to individuals licensed pursuant to Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, including dentists (see Order summary). Effective January 4, 2021, licensed dentists may independently initiate and administer COVID-19 vaccines that are approved or authorized by the federal Food and Drug Administration to persons 16 years of age or older and may also initiate and administer epinephrine or diphenhydramine by injection for the treatment of a severe allergic reaction.

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To participate, dentists must <u>enroll</u> in the California COVID-19 Vaccination Program and complete all enrollment requirements outlined on page 3 of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention <u>COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Agreement</u>. Initial enrollment is limited to sites selected by local health departments. Please listen to the California Dental Association's (CDA) <u>Dentist Vaccinator Webinar</u> for information from CDPH and CDA about participating in the California COVID-19 Vaccination Program.

The COVID-19 vaccine reimbursement details will be shared in a future bulletin.

## Medi-Cal Dental Payment Delay

In observance of the President's Day holiday on Monday, February 15, 2021, the weekly provider payments for the week of February 15, 2021 will be delayed. Regular provider payments (paper checks and direct deposit) will be issued on February 19, 2021. Thank you in advance for your patience.

For a complete list of payment delays, please refer to the <u>2021 Medi-Cal Dental Payment Schedule Changes</u> under **Important Reminders** on the Medi-Cal Dental <u>Providers page</u>.