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Subject: Prop 56 Developmental Screening Services

Dear Provider,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that in accordance with Medi-Cal requirements, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc. (KFHP) will make Proposition (Prop) 56 Developmental Screening payments to you based on eligible services that you provide to KFHP Medi-Cal members on or after January 1, 2023.

KFHP will pay Developmental Screening directed payments within 90 days of receipt of funds from Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) or from our Medi-Cal Plan Partners. The payments will be based on eligible services provided to KFHP's Medi-Cal members as reflected in encounter data reported to the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). Below is a schedule of the directed payments for Developmental Screening Services. To qualify for payments, the rendering provider must be a "Network Provider"¹. You may be required to remit the directed payments to your rendering providers (the rendering provider NPI is included on the check stub). A qualifying developmental screening service must be performed using a standardized tool that meets all of the criteria in APL 23-016, "Proposition 56 Directed Payments for Developmental Screening Services."²

Prop 56 (the California Healthcare, Research, and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016) passed in California in November 2016. As a result, state excise tax on cigarettes and other tobacco products increased. Revenue from these higher taxes is to be used for many purposes, but primarily to augment spending on health care for low-income Californians. Prop 56 revenue will be paid directly to health plans to forward to medical providers. Effective July 1, 2022, the nonfederal source of funding changed from Prop 56 to the state General Fund.

Claims/encounter submission processes, including clean claims and accepted encounter standards can be found on the KP Community Provider Portal:

1. NCAL location:
 - a. <https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/northern-california/community-providers>
 - i. Provider Information > Section 5: Billing and Payment
 - ii. Provider Information > Claims Settlement and Dispute Practices
2. SCAL location:
 - a. <https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/southern-california/community-providers>
 - i. Claims > Quick Claims Resources > NCA Provider Notification
 - ii. Claims > Quick Claims Resources > Dispute Resolution Mechanisms

¹ Eligible Network Providers are Network Providers (as defined in DHCS APL 19-001, "Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plan Guidance On Network Provider Status," the DHCS/MCP contract and 42 CFR, Section 438.2). CFRs are searchable at: <https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?SID=d15b0ce81c0ea804f39e129fd7f11a5f&mc=true&page=browse>.

² Per APL 19-016, "A qualifying developmental screening service must be performed using a standardized tool that meets all of the following CMS criteria: 1. Developmental domains: The following domains must be included in the standardized developmental screening tool: motor, language, cognitive, and social-emotional. 2. Established Reliability: Reliability scores of approximately 0.70 or above. 3. Established Findings Regarding the Validity: Validity scores for the tool must be approximately 0.70 or above. Measures of validity must be conducted on a significant number of children and using an appropriate standardized developmental or social-emotional assessment instrument(s). 4. Established Sensitivity/Specificity: Sensitivity and specificity scores of approximately 0.70 or above." The above can be found at <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/Documents/MMCDAPLsandPolicyLetters/APL2019/APL19-016.pdf>.

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If you have grievances related to the processing or non-payment of a Prop 56 directed payment, please contact us via KFHP's Prop 56 email box at Prop56@kp.org. This email box serves as a designated point of contact for provider questions, grievances, and technical assistance; KFHP will research and respond within 60 days of receipt.

Sincerely,

KFHP Prop 56 Team

Directed Payment Rates per Encounter, to be Paid to Providers:

CPT Code	Description	Directed Payment
96110 without modifier KX	Developmental screening, with scoring and documentation, per standardized instrument	\$59.90