

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 MUST 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
 - 18 to 85 years of age **AND** previously diagnosed with hypertension

NOTE: This service should not 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
 - One code billed for the appropriate hypertension diagnosis for the Member
 - 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 should not bill for the Blood Pressure Control Medicare P4P IEHP Direct incentive.

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

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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.