



To: IPAs and PCPs
From: IEHP – Provider Relations
Date: January 28, 2019
Subject: **Guidance: Free Palliative Care Training for Qualified Medi-Cal Providers**

There is still time for Providers to apply for this no-cost training program! The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has contracted with the *California State University Institute for Palliative Care* to provide palliative care training to qualified Medi-Cal Providers and their clinician staff. Providers can apply for training, at no charge, through the Institute’s website (<https://csupalliativecare.org/education/sb1004/>) **ON or BEFORE February 28, 2019.**

Funding for this effort concludes March 29, 2019, so all Provider applications for the training funds should be submitted by February 28, 2019.

The Institute’s courses are geared toward Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Registered Nurses, and Social Workers interested in building their palliative care skills. Courses are developed by clinical experts in palliative care, and are engaging, interactive, and accessible 24/7. Each course provides continuing education credits or continuing medical education credits.

Qualified Medi-Cal clinical Providers interested may apply at: https://csusm.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eWF9UFvQ9HaxOCx and use the code “**PAL2019**”. Use of this code will indicate that Provider is enrolled with the Medi-Cal managed care plan.

Enrollment will be funded on a first-come, first-served basis. DHCS will continue to accept applications until all funding has been committed. Providers will be given priority based on geographic and clinical diversity. **DHCS will limit funding to no more than four individuals per organization**, to support geographic diversity for training.

Please reach out to the Institute’s Relationship Manager, Brandon McDonald, with further questions at (760) 750-7288 or bmcdonald@csusm.edu.

As a reminder, all communications sent by IEHP can also be found on our Provider portal at the following address: <https://ww3.iehp.org/en/providers/correspondence/>.