



**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 **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 <a href="here">here</a> or <a href="here">www.iehp.org</a> > 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.

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For further questions, connect with the IEHP Provider Call Center at (909) 890-2054 or (866) 223-4347 or email <a href="mailto:ProviderServices@iehp.org">ProviderServices@iehp.org</a> or connect with IEHP's Quality Department <a href="QualityPrograms@iehp.org">QualityPrograms@iehp.org</a>.