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TO: California Applicable Integrated Plan (AIP) D-SNPs

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SUBJECT: California AIP D-SNPs: Updates to Contract Year 2026 Material Models

CMS and the state of California are issuing updates to the CY 2026 Chapters 2 and 4 of the Member Handbook, the Provider and Pharmacy Directory, and the Summary of Benefits related to dental services for use by applicable integrated plan (AIP) dual eligible special needs plans (D-SNPs) operating in California. We have included updated versions of these models.

The updates to these models include:

- **Member Handbook, Chapter 2**
 - Page 25-27, Section R, updated Medi-Cal dental section
- **Member Handbook, Chapter 4**
 - Page 18, Dental Services, updated first paragraph
 - Page 66-68, Section G2, updated Medi-Cal dental section
- **Provider and Pharmacy Directory**
 - Page 15, Section C, updated note about dental providers section
- **Summary of Benefits**
 - Page 15, updated “You need dental care” section

California AIP D-SNPs must communicate these revisions to enrollees in accordance with the "Mid-Year Change Notification to Enrollees" instructions in the Medicare Communications and Marketing Guidelines. California AIP D-SNPs must not use the errata process to communicate these changes.

This memorandum will also be posted to the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office’s “D-SNPs: Integration & Unified Appeals & Grievance Requirements” webpage at <https://www.cms.gov/medicaid-chip/medicare-coordination/qualified-beneficiary-program/d-snps-integration-unified-appeals-grievance-requirements> grouped alphabetically by state under

the “Model Materials” heading.

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