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## Medi-Cal Benefit Coverage Updates for Continuous Glucose Monitors

Dear provider,

Effective January 1, 2022, Medi-Cal Rx became responsible for paying Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGM) claims billed under the pharmacy benefit. It is therefore important for providers to be aware of these coverage updates:

- Medi-Cal Rx limits CGM coverage to patients with type 1 diabetes – see the [Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual](#).
- If Medi-Cal Rx denies the authorization, an authorization request submitted to HPSM will be reviewed under the HPSM medical benefit.
- **Starting November 1, 2022, HPSM will only consider authorization requests for CGM under the medical benefit that are not coverable under the patient's pharmacy benefit (Medi-Cal Rx) and that meet medical criteria.**

For more information about CGM, including additional details about criteria exceptions (such as for Type 2 diabetes) and a checklist of what to include in the authorization request, please see [www.hpsm.org/providers/CGM](http://www.hpsm.org/providers/CGM).

Thank you for your continued commitment to our community,

The Health Plan of San Mateo