

PROVIDER Bulletin



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This Provider Bulletin applies to the lines of business and provider types checked below:

PHP (Medicare) Primary Care Physicians Specialists
 PHC (Medicaid) Hospitals Ancillary AHF Grants

California Health and Human Services Agency Data Exchange Framework.

In accordance with California Assembly Bill (AB) 133 and DHCS All Plan Letter (APL) 23-013, this communication serves as PHC's notification to in network providers concerning the Data Sharing Agreement and Data Exchange Framework requirements.

The California Health and Human Services (CalHHS) Data Sharing Agreement defines the parties that are subject to the Data Exchange Framework's new data exchange rules and subsequently establishes a common set of terms, conditions and obligations to support a secure exchange of and access to enrollee health and social services information.

As noted in All Plan Letter 23-013, the goal of the Data Exchange Framework is to ensure that all enrollees in addition to health, human services and governmental entities have access to provide safe and effective care. Specifically advancing health equity for enrollees by facilitating secure and appropriate exchange of health and social services information.

The Data Exchange Framework will identify gaps and propose solutions to those gaps with respect to the life cycle of health information, including:

- Health information creation, including the use of national standards in clinical documentation, health plan records and social services data.
- Translation, mapping, controlled vocabularies, coding and data classification.
- Storage, maintenance, and management of health information.
- Linking, sharing, exchanging and providing access to health information.

Skilled Nursing Facility providers contracted with PHC California are required to sign the CalHHS Data Sharing Agreement for subsequent access to the Cal HHS Data Exchange Framework.

Other healthcare services providers and organizations have until January 31st, 2026, to implement the Data Exchange Framework. These entities include:

- Physician practice of fewer than twenty-five (25) physicians,
- Rehabilitation hospitals, long-term acute care hospitals, acute psychiatric hospitals, critical care hospitals, and rural general acute care hospitals with fewer than 100 acute care beds,
- State run acute psychiatric hospitals, and
- Nonprofit clinics with fewer than 10 health care providers.

After completion and signing of the Data Sharing Agreement, most signatories will be required to exchange health and social services information or provide access to health information to and from other Participants in real time as specified in the Data Sharing Agreement and corresponding Policies and Procedures.

Please refer to the following link to All Plan Letter 23-013, CalHHS Data Exchange Framework Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and the Cal HHS Data Sharing Agreement Signing portal:

[APL 23-013 \(ca.gov\)](https://www.ca.gov)

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[Data Exchange Framework - FAQ \(ca.gov\)](#)

[Home Data Exchange Framework Signing Portal \(powerappsportals.com\)](#)

If you have any questions concerning this communication or need additional information concerning this requirement, please contact the Provider Relations department for further assistance (CAPR@aidshhealth.org).

Thank you

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