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TO: ADAP ENROLLMENT WORKERS

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR PHASE ONE (UNINSURED CLIENTS) OF THE PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (PREP-AP)

The purpose of this management memorandum is to inform enrollment workers of the implementation plan being pursued by OA for phase one (uninsured clients) of the PrEP-AP scheduled to be implemented in early 2018 and to communicate upcoming PrEP-AP training dates.

Program Overview

The PrEP-AP will provide assistance to both uninsured and insured individuals. For uninsured clients, the PrEP-AP will pay for: 1) approved PrEP-related medical out-of-pocket costs, and 2) medications on the PrEP-AP formulary for the prevention of HIV and treatment of sexual transmitted infections (STIs), excluding Truvada® which is provided free by the drug manufacturer. For insured individuals the PrEP-AP will pay for 1) the cost of medication deductibles, co-pays, and co-insurance for medications on the PrEP-AP formulary for STI treatment and the prevention of HIV infection after the individual's insurance is applied and, if eligible, after the drug manufacturer's medication assistance program's contributions are applied; and 2) medical deductibles, co-pays, and co-insurance for PrEP-related medical service.

Individuals are eligible for PrEP-AP services if they meet the following criteria:

- Are residents of California
- Have a negative HIV test result (dated within 6 months of the PrEP-AP application)
- Are at least 18 years of age

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- Have an annual Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) that does not exceed 500 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) based on family size and household income
- Are not fully covered by Medi-Cal or other third party payers
- Are enrolled in the manufacturer's assistance program (if eligible)

Implementation Plan

The PrEP-AP will be implemented in two phases, with phase one covering the uninsured in early 2018 and phase two expanding to cover insured clients, including clients with Medicare in spring 2018. A subsequent management memorandum will be sent out detailing phase two in spring 2018.

In order to have the PrEP-AP assist with allowable PrEP-related medical out-of-pocket costs, uninsured clients are required to see a contracted provider in the PrEP-AP Provider Network. As part of the PrEP-AP enrollment process, clinicians in the PrEP-AP Provider Network are required to assess whether applicants are clinically eligible for PrEP, and are required to sign the patient's application to the manufacturer's Patient Assistance Program, which also serves as the applicant's prescription for PrEP. OA is in the process of contracting with multiple providers throughout the state and will be constantly working to increase the PrEP-AP Provider Network; however, geographic gaps in provider availability may exist, initially limiting areas where clients can see a contracted provider for services necessary to enroll in the PrEP-AP.

In order to more effectively manage implementation of the PrEP-AP and mitigate against seeing clients for PrEP-AP enrollment in areas where a contracted PrEP clinical provider is not available, OA has established the requirements listed below to ensure the PrEP-AP has sufficient program infrastructure in place. OA is requiring that:

1. At least one enrollment worker from an enrollment site attend the PrEP-AP training before that site will be able to perform PrEP-AP enrollment.
2. An ADAP enrollment site interested in performing PrEP-AP enrollment must be located within 100 miles of a contracted clinician in the PrEP-AP Provider Network. As the PrEP-AP Provider Network continues to grow, eventually all ADAP enrollment sites will be capable of performing PrEP-AP enrollment.

The ADAP Enrollment System (AES) has been modified to facilitate enrollment into the PrEP-AP and all enrollment sites will have access to the PrEP-AP enrollment screens in late February; however, enrollment sites **will not** be able to submit a PrEP-AP application until the requirements listed above are met. OA will grant PrEP-AP enrollment permission to enrollment sites on a flow basis as enrollment sites fulfill the training requirement and as clinicians are on-boarded into the PrEP-AP Provider Network within the required proximity. Enrollment sites will be notified individually via e-mail two weeks in advance of their individual go-live date. OA will maintain and update a listing every two weeks on the OA website, detailing participants in the PrEP-AP Provider Network and identifying enrollment sites certified to perform PrEP-AP enrollment.

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Training

All enrollment workers are strongly encouraged to register for and attend one of the PrEP-AP online trainings. Training will be available on the following dates and times:

Date	Time
February 28, 2018	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
February 28, 2018	1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
March 1, 2018	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
March 1, 2018	1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
March 7, 2018	9:00AM - 12:00 PM
March 7, 2018	1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
March 8, 2018	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
March 8, 2018	1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

The training includes an estimated 1 hour and 30 minutes of PrEP-AP policy and ADAP Enrollment System (AES) training and an estimated 30 minutes for a question and answer session at the end of the training.

Enrollment workers will be sent invitations for all eight training sessions, but will only need to attend one session. Training will be delivered through WebEx and audio services through AT&T. OA will track enrollment worker attendance through the AT&T phone operator. In order to receive credit for attending, enrollment workers must provide the following information to the AT&T operator when dialing in:

- 1) Enrollment Worker Name
- 2) Enrollment Site ID
- 3) Enrollment Site Name

Please contact your [OA Advisor](#) if you have any questions regarding the information provided in this memo.

Thank you,



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