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## Hypertension QI Postcard and COVID-19 Supplemental Resources (Medi-Cal)

On June 12, 2020, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) shared a [Hypertension QI Postcard](#) and [COVID-19 Supplemental Resources](#) with managed care plans (MCPs) like CalOptima.

DHCS is sharing these resources to address pertinent preventive care topics and chronic disease management topics during COVID-19 that MCPs, their providers and members may find helpful.

The **Hypertension Quality Improvement (QI) Postcard** contains relevant information for managing members with hypertension during the COVID-19 public health emergency. Older adults and people with severe underlying medical conditions that may include hypertension seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 illness.

The **COVID-19 Supplemental Resources** contains common QI interventions conducted by MCPs throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as additional practices from other states, agencies and organizations to promote safe access to preventive care during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition, the supplemental resources can also be searched by various topics, such as “social determinants of health” to find resources to help assist and support vulnerable members and communities of color experiencing health inequities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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