

At Wellcare, we focus on whole person health care solutions. Each community is unique, so we partner with local groups and public agencies to build those solutions. We invest millions of dollars in programs that address social drivers of whole health and improve outcomes for all Californians.

#### **MEDICARE INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

# 2023 Partnership for Quality Provider Incentive Program Unveiled

To incentivize providers to drive care-gap closure among our Medicare Advantage members and continue the quality care they deliver, we have launched the 2023 Medicare Partnership for Quality (P4Q) Primary Care Provider Incentive Program.

Most notably, this year's program increases incentives compared to the 2022 program to better align with quality performance. Providers can now potentially earn a 50% bonus increase by achieving an aggregate Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS<sup>®</sup>) and pharmacy star rating of 4.0 or higher across HEDIS and medication adherence measures for calendar year 2023.

Incentive payments earned through the P4Q program will be in addition to the compensation arrangement set forth in a provider's participation agreement, as well as any other incentive program in which they may participate.

To learn more or to inquire about eligibility, please reach out to your provider relations representative.

### NCQA ACCREDITATION

# Annual NCQA Accreditation Coming Soon!

We will be providing important annual information for practitioners to review regarding National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) accreditation. This information will help keep practitioners informed about NCQA accreditation requirements to ensure the best care for our members. Topics include updating the provider directory, utilization management decisions, pharmacy, language services, access to case management, appointment access standards, and member rights and responsibilities, among others.

## MEDI-CAL EXPANSION

# Access to Medi-Cal Coverage will Expand in 2024

On January 1, 2024, California will allow adults ages 26 through 49 to enroll in full-scope Medi-Cal, no matter their immigration status. All other Medi-Cal eligibility rules, including income limits, will still apply.

This new age guideline follows expansion for young adults 19 through 25 and adults 50 years of age and older.

An application for Medi-Cal will not affect immigration status, nor chances of permanent residency or citizenship. Health Net does not collect or report immigration status information.

Visit keepyourbenefits.org or the Department of Health Care Services website for more information.

#### COMMUNITY

# Health Net Helps Celebrate 100 Years of United Way

### Sponsorship to both L.A. and Sacramento chapters continue our service commitment

Health Net has a longstanding relationship with the United Way – helping to meet the needs of local families through volunteers, community programs, sponsorships and much more. Both the L.A. and Sacramento United Way chapters recently celebrated 100 years of community service. Health Net provided major sponsorships to both chapters to help celebrate.

- Los Angeles Health Net granted a **\$50,000** sponsorship for two United Way of Greater Los Angeles events, Legacy of Hope (June 7) and the HOPE Summit (fall 2023).
- Sacramento Health Net committed **\$100,000** as a presenting sponsor for the United Way California Capital Region's Centennial celebration that took place in April. The funding will help directly impact the lives of community members in a five-county region. And, to help more than 10,000 kids excel in school by 2025.

# The Source LGBT+ Center Celebrates Renovation and Expansion

#### Health Net grant provides more space for Center visitors

The Source LGBT+ Center recently opened its newly renovated location, which includes an interior redesign and courtyard expansion. A **\$50,000 grant** from Health Net helped provide a place for more than 3,000 annual visitors to:

- Gather for events
- Learn about resources
- Find a safe space to express themselves

The Source moved into its own building in October 2021, with nearly 5,000 square feet of space for support groups, client services, youth, volunteers and staff. The organization recently celebrated seven years of service to Tulare, Kings and Fresno County residents.

"Health Net is proud to support The Source in its work to create a safe space for all LGBTQ+ individuals," said Nai Kasick, vice president, Medi-Cal regional lead at Health Net. "We are excited to see residents use the new space and to witness how it will create a stronger, more connected community in Central California."

"i'm honored to be part of the story of The Source and to see us grow from an idea to owning a campus in Downtown Visalia," said Nick Vargas, co-founder and director of development at The Source. "The investment from our community partners, donors, and especially Health Net, has made it possible to have a space that our community can call home."<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1,2</sup> Source: The Valley Voice, <u>https://www.ourvalleyvoice.com/2023/05/19/the-source-lgbt-center-celebrates-interior-</u>renovation-and-patio-expansion-thanks-to-50000-grant-from-health-net/

# Housing to Nutrition from Head to Toe

#### How Health Net uses data to improve whole-person care

A new report from Health Net titled, <u>From Housing to Nutrition: We Use Data to</u> <u>Improve Whole-Person Care</u>, explores how health equity and whole-person care impacts patients. It explains how we can use innovative approaches and data to improve health outcomes. Key takeaways include:



- Better health outcomes rely on better decisions based on better data. The challenge is to adopt this approach across the healthcare ecosystem.
- Each and every person has different roles and aspects of their life that matter to them personal life, work life, social life and more.

Health Net's question is, "How do we make a difference?" Resources and information seem like clear answers. But, on a deeper level, we can get better results with a focused strategy, steady goals and common metrics to measure results. Learn how we're doing just that. Read the report on our <u>Bridging the Divide</u> website.