It is our pleasure to welcome you as a contracted provider (Provider) participating under HMO plans offered by the Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program Affiliated Payors. We want this relationship to work well for you, your medical support staff, and our Members.

This Provider Manual was created to help guide you and your staff in working with Kaiser Permanente’s various systems and procedures applicable to our HMO products in Northern California. It is an important part of your relationship with Kaiser Permanente, but this Provider Manual does not cover all aspects of your relationship with us. Please continue to consult your Provider agreement with Kaiser Permanente.

During the term of such agreement, Providers are responsible for (i) maintaining copies of the Provider Manual and its updates as provided by Kaiser Permanente, (ii) providing copies of the Provider Manual to its subcontractors and (iii) ensuring that Provider and its practitioners and subcontractors comply with all applicable provisions. The Provider Manual, including but not limited to all updates, shall remain the property of Kaiser Permanente and shall be returned to Kaiser Permanente or destroyed upon termination of the obligations under such agreement.

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Additional resources can also be found on our Community Provider Portal website at: http://providers.kaiserpermanente.org/nca/.
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To the extent provided in your Agreement, if there is a conflict between this Provider Manual and your Agreement, the terms of the Agreement will control. The term "Member" as used in this Provider Manual refers to currently eligible enrollees of HMO plans offered by Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program Affiliated Payors, including Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, and their beneficiaries. The term “Provider” as used in this Provider Manual refers to the practitioner, facility, hospital, or contractor subject to the terms of the Agreement. Additionally, “you” or “your” in the Provider Manual refers to the practitioner, facility, hospital, or contractor subject to the terms of the Agreement and “we” or “our” in the Provider Manual refers to Kaiser Permanente. Operational instructions in this Provider Manual specifically relate to the HMO product. Capitalized terms used in this Provider Manual may be defined within the Provider Manual or if not defined herein, will have the meanings given to them in your Agreement.