

Peralta Community College District
333 East Eighth Street
Oakland, CA 94606

Date: June 9, 2020

To: All Group Health Plan Participants

Re: COVID-19 Related Group Health Plan Changes

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, changes to the Peralta Community College District Benefit Plan (Plan) have been identified below. The provisions under I.A. are effective March 18, 2020 to the earlier of December 31, 2020 or the termination of the federally declared emergency period. The provisions under I.B. are effective March 27, 2020 to the earlier of December 31, 2020 or the termination of the federally declared emergency period. Please maintain this document with your copy of Peralta Community College Health Plan Booklet.

- I. Notwithstanding any provisions in the Plan to the contrary, the Plan shall:
 - A. Provide coverage for an in vitro diagnostic test for the detection of SARS-CoV-2 or the diagnosis of the virus that causes COVID-19, and the administration of such a test, without imposing any cost sharing, including deductibles, copays and coinsurance. Such coverage will include items and services furnished during health care provider office visits (including in-person visits and telehealth visits), urgent care center visits, and emergency room visits that result in an order for a COVID-19 test but only to the extent, such items and services relate to:
 1. the furnishing or administration of a COVID-19 test; or
 2. the evaluation of a covered person for purposes of determining the need for such test.
 - B. Reimburse the services described in section A. based on a negotiated rate, if one was in effect before March 13, 2020. If a negotiated rate does not exist, the Plan shall reimburse the provider for the cash price for such service as listed on the provider's public internet website. The Plan may negotiate a rate with the provider for less than the cash price.