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Welcome to America's Physician Groups' *California Update*. Each week APG reports the latest on health care happenings in the Golden State.

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AB 1041 Bill Aims To Standardize Provider Credentialing Process

Assemblymember Bennett is authoring legislation to develop a standardized [application process for physician credentialing](#) in California. After two rounds of significant amendments, the bill will soon be amended further based on upcoming conversations with the Department of Managed Health Care and the California Department of Insurance. In its current form, both APG and health plan lobbies oppose the bill. APG has been working closely with the proponents and the author's office, however, to craft a bill that supports the use of the Health Industry Collaboration Effort (HICE) and the free portal maintained by the Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare (CAQH) and does not require a reinvention of the process or a lengthy regulatory development period. We anticipate that a further draft of the amended bill will be finalized within the next three weeks. The CAQH ProView database includes over **1.6 million** healthcare providers who actively use and maintain their profiles in the ProView system. About a dozen states have adopted the use of the CAQH credentialing process.



California's All Payer Claims Database To Begin Testing Submittal Of Non-Claims Based Payments

The California [Health Care Payments Database](#) (HPD) is progressing in the scope of its payment data collection and analysis efforts. During July, HPD will begin testing its first submittals of non-claims-based payment data from payers and will begin collecting data on September 1, 2026.

Publication of this data category is slated for early 2027. The HPD was instrumental in developing the first [national standard](#) for non-claims-based data, to be used by all state-run APCDs across the country. In addition, the recent passage of the California State budget included provisions that move the Data Exchange Framework's authority, the Center for Data Insights and Innovation, to HCAI, which is HPD's parent Department within State Government. The Office of the Patient Advocate is also relocating under HCAI, beginning August 1. The aggregation of each of these data exchange, collection, and reporting arms of state government under the HCAI leadership provides greater opportunities for making health care system information more actionable to employers, consumers, and policy makers. This is also our **“One Good Thing”** for this week.



One Good Thing

See the above article for the good news about California's Health Care Payments Database!

Do you have a piece of good news in California health care to share? Click [here](#) to submit your story!



2025 APG California Policy & Advocacy Meeting Dates

Members, please mark your calendars for APG's California Policy Forum and California Medi-Cal Forum meetings. You can download APG's 2025 events calendar [here](#).

California Policy Forum

2:00 - 3:00 pm

- November 12

California Medi-Cal Forum

10:30 am - 12:30 pm

- October - TBD



APG California Advocacy Member Resources

- **Tracked Health Care Bills 2025-26:** bills we're following in the California State Legislature
- **Digital Exchange Framework** [APG member tool kit](#), [QHIO webinar](#) and [DxF Program summary slide deck](#)
- **Office of Health Care Affordability** [regulations](#) and [explanatory slide deck](#)
- APG, Moss Adams, Sheppard Mullin **CMIR Regulation** [webinar](#) and [slides](#)
- **DMHC SB 510** [All Plan Letter](#) on Health Plan payment responsibilities
- **DMHC Quality and Equity Reporting** program [All Plan Letter](#)
- **DHCS Medi-Cal Medical Loss Ratio** [Implementation Summary](#)
- **DHCS Medi-Cal Connect** [Population Health Program](#) Information

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