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**Upcoming Medical Record Collection** 

Dear provider,

California's Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has mandated that the Health Plan of San Mateo (HPSM) conduct an Encounter Data Validation (EDV) study, an annual activity to validate medical record documentation for encounter data submitted for services rendered the previous calendar year.

A representative from the Revenue Data Operations (RDO) team at HPSM will contact your office to provide you with a list of records for collection and will work with you to determine the most efficient method for record collection. In-network providers are obligated to abide by Section 164.506(c)(4) of the HIPAA Privacy Rule, which permits medical providers to disclose patient medical information without a signed authorization from the patient. In addition, HPSM's contract stipulates that requested medical records be submitted at no charge.

The RDO team will reach out to about 100 providers within our network, as soon as next week (Monday, February 10, 2025).

If you have any questions about these medical record collection requests, please contact Ingrid Cornejo, Project Specialist, at **650-698-7561** or at <u>Ingrid.Cornejo@hpsm.org</u>.

Thank you in advance for your time and responsiveness, The Health Plan of San Mateo