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## **CORRECTION NOTICE** **MEDI-CAL PROVIDER MANUAL**

**Medi-Cal Provider Manual:** Referral and Authorization, Section 20, page 12:

In order to reflect a correction to this provision the following has been deleted:

~~“Although abortion is a sensitive service, it is **not** a Freedom of Choice service. Therefore, members may self-refer only to Community Health Group contracted providers of this service. Members whose primary care physician is affiliated with an IPA may self-refer to contracted IPA providers of this service.”~~

This provision has been replaced with the following:

*“Abortion is a sensitive service and therefore is a Freedom of Choice service. CHG does not require prior authorization for abortion services; members may go to any provider of their choice for abortion services, at any time, for any reason, regardless of network affiliation.”*

As provided in your Provider Services Agreement in accordance with Section 13.2 **Amendments Required by Law and Accreditation Organizations and Material Changes**, the correction to comply with this regulatory requirement is effective immediately.