

Provider Bulletin

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Dementia Care Awareness Training

This is an advisory notification to Molina Healthcare of California (MHC) network providers applicable to all lines of business.

What you need to know:

A critical step in meeting the needs of the growing aging population is early recognition of cognitive decline. The number of Californians aged 65 and older living with Alzheimer's disease is expected to **more than double** by 2040. Californians who live to be 65 or older have a **one in five** chance of developing any type of dementia.

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and the University of California, San Francisco, invite primary care providers and their teams to participate in Dementia Care Aware, a training and support program encouraging early dementia assessment.

Dementia Care Aware includes training on the Cognitive Health Assessment (CHA), a 5 to 10-minute screening that can fit into several types of visits and satisfy the required Annual Wellness Visits (AWV) cognitive impairment screening.

Upon completion of the training, providers may:

- Reduce the administrative burden for their offices.
- Increase positive health outcomes for individuals living with dementia and their caregivers.
- Receive a \$29 payment for screening certain Medi-Cal patients for dementia.
- Obtain continuing education credits.

In addition, Dementia Care Aware provides supplementary training on the next steps in evaluation and care planning with patients, including tools for implementing dementia detection and care in clinical practice and connecting patients and care partners to community resources.

Provider Action

To register for an upcoming Dementia Care Aware webinar, follow the links below or scan the QR codes on the attached flyers!

Training Dates:

- Thursday, February 8, 2024 @ 12 – 1 p.m.
 - Registration Link: https://alz-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_NGDDuVZNRCKCTY-ZpJWHng#/registration
- Tuesday, February 20, 2024 @ 12 – 1 p.m.
 - Registration Link: https://alz-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fAarvm5VQzSqOR-TxiGAeg#/registration

For more information on Dementia Care Aware, refer to the flyers below or visit:

- Dementia Care Aware Homepage: <https://www.dementiacareaware.org/>
- CHA Education: <https://www.dementiacareaware.org/education-and-training/cha/>
- Online Webinars: https://dementiacareaware.matrixlms.com/join_no_access_code?_gl=1*g4smub*_ga*MTIlyNDMxMDA2OS4xNjg5ODcxNDUz*_ga_6EECFYCCK2*MTY5MzQzNDk4MS45LjEuMTY5MzQzNTA1MC42MC4wLjA
- Monthly Virtual Webinars: <https://www.dementiacareaware.org/education-and-training/webinars/>

For questions or to request a training, please email: DCA@ucsf.edu.



What if you need assistance?

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