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Department of Health Care Services



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TO: COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
COUNTY DRUG & ALCOHOL ADMINISTRATORS
COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AGENCIES
COALITION OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ASSOCIATIONS
CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF ALCOHOL & DRUG PROGRAM EXECUTIVES, INC.
CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE OF CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

SUBJECT: Medication Assisted Treatment in Narcotic Treatment Programs under the Drug
Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Pilot Program

Under the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Pilot Program¹, Narcotic Treatment Programs (NTPs) in waiver opt-in counties will be required to have the following medications available:

- 1) Methadone²
- 2) Buprenorphine
- 3) Disulfiram
- 4) Naloxone

NTPs are responsible for prescribing, ordering and monitoring services, and will be reimbursed with a bundled rate which includes the cost of the drug and the cost of administering and/or dosing the drug. The Naloxone rate takes into the account the cost for training required to dispense the drug. The DMC reimbursement rates for methadone are reported in [MHSUDS Information Notice 16-021](#). The rates for buprenorphine, disulfiram, and naloxone are found in the Exhibit.

If you have any questions on NTP requirements or rates, please call Maurilio Mendez at (916) 327-4076, or email Maurilio.Mendez@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder Services

¹Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services Special Terms and Conditions; Number 11-W-00193/9; Title: California Medi-Cal 2020 Demonstration; Section III, Subsection 137. Additional Medication Assisted Treatment

² Information Notice 16-021 Drug Medi-Cal Reimbursement Rates for Fiscal Year 2016-17