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TO: ALL MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE HEALTH PLANS

SUBJECT: THE ROGERS AMENDMENT AND TERTIARY HOSPITALS

This All Plan Letter (APL) corrects the definition of "tertiary hospital" that was used in APL 10-007 and APL 10-008 regarding rates paid under Welfare and Institution (W&I) Code section 14091.3 and the "Rogers Amendment" (Pub. L. 109-171). This APL also corrects the reference provided for a list of tertiary hospitals. These changes do NOT affect the rates published in those APLs.

For purposes of the rates published in the APLs listed above, a tertiary hospital is defined as a children's hospital specified in Welfare and Institutions Code section 10727, or a hospital that has been designated as a Level I or Level II trauma center by the Emergency Medical Services Authority established pursuant to Section 1797.1 of the Health and Safety Code.

W&I Code section 10727 states:

"Children's hospital" means any of the following hospitals:

- (a) Valley Children's Hospital, Madera.
- (b) Miller Children's Hospital, Long Beach.
- (c) Children's Hospital Los Angeles, Los Angeles.
- (d) Children's Hospital Medical Center of Northern California, Oakland.
- (e) Children's Hospital of Orange County.
- (f) Lucile Salter Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford, Palo Alto.
- (g) Children's Hospital and Health Center, San Diego.
- (h) Loma Linda University Children's Hospital, Loma Linda."

The list of Level I and Level II trauma centers is available through the California Emergency Medical Services Authority at: [http://www.emsa.ca.gov/systems/files/trauma/trma\\_ctr.pdf](http://www.emsa.ca.gov/systems/files/trauma/trma_ctr.pdf).

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