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Department of Health Care Services



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To: All Local Governmental Agency (LGA) Coordinators for Targeted Case Management (TCM) Programs

Subject: Elimination of Claiming for TCM Services Provided by Staff Employed by Adult Probation and Public Guardian Agencies

As the single state agency responsible for administration of the Medi-Cal program, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) regrets to inform you that as of March 3, 2008, LGAs may not submit invoices to DHCS for TCM services performed by staff of Adult Probation and Public Guardian agencies. This measure is required to ensure compliance with federal rulemaking CMS-2237-IFC, which is effective for dates of service from March 3, 2008, forward. TCM services may continue to be provided to members of these two target groups by staff of Public Health or other Medi-Cal funded agencies; however, these services may not be reimbursable under the new federal regulations.

DHCS strongly opposed these new regulations and provided substantial comments to CMS regarding these regulations. Nevertheless, these regulations necessitate significant revision to many aspects of the TCM program, including the State Plan, State law, regulations, policy manuals, and training procedures. DHCS staff in the TCM program will provide additional information on these changes in the near future and will request assistance from each of you as we address this challenge.

Please notify your local staff involved in these programs of these significant changes. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Elizabeth Touhey, Chief, Administrative Claiming Local & Schools Services Branch, at Elizabeth.Touhey@dhcs.ca.gov, or at (916) 552-9615.

Sincerely,

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