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To: All Drug Medi-Cal Providers

Subject: Drug Medi-Cal Application Revisions

This letter conveys important information regarding the revision of the Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) application, including the inclusion of expanded benefits.

In order to implement various provisions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Affordable Care Act), effective January 1, 2014, passed by the Legislature through SBX 1X (Hernandez and Steinberg), in combination with ABX 1X (Perez), the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has adopted additional DMC services included in the essential health benefits package, as adopted by the state and approved by the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services. The revised DMC application includes these additional services, which includes 'intensive outpatient' and 'non-perinatal residential' services.

Applicants and providers may submit their application prior to January 1, 2014; however, the DMC certification, if granted for the expanded benefits, will not be valid until this date. In addition, the application for expanded benefits is separate from any other revalidation/recertification efforts implemented on behalf of DHCS.

The revised application, DHCS 6001 (Rev. 10/13), instructions, guidelines, forms, DMC Regulations and Standards are available, in PDF format, on the DHCS internet at [http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/adp/Pages/Drug\\_MediCal.aspx](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/adp/Pages/Drug_MediCal.aspx).

Sincerely,

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