

California Highway Patrol
Commercial Vehicle Section
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Written comments must be received no later than 4:45 p.m., September 10, 2010.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES

NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

PROPOSED RATE METHODOLOGY CHANGES FOR FREESTANDING SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES AND FREESTANDING ADULT SUBACUTE FACILITIES

This notice is to provide information of public interest with respect to rate methodology changes that are proposed for freestanding skilled nursing facilities (SNFs) and freestanding adult subacute facilities.

The California Legislature is considering several proposals pursuant to the Medi-Cal Long Term Care Reimbursement Act enacted under Article 3.8 (commencing with Section 14126) of Chapter 7, Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (added by Assembly Bill 1629 of 2004). The proposed changes will be phased in beginning August 1, 2010, and are as follows:

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- Assess the Quality Assurance Fee (QAF) on Multi Level Facilities, excluding Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs).
- Provide a General Fund-neutral net rate increase not to exceed 3.93 percent if the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) is extended, with the potential of a reduced adjustment to 3.14 percent if ARRA is not extended beyond December 2010.
- Reduce reimbursement for professional liability insurance to the 75th percentile.
- Eliminate the Labor Driven Operating Allocation (LDOA) daily reimbursement.
- Disallow reimbursement for legal costs related to cases that have not been resolved in favor of the SNFs.

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- Set the net reimbursement rate cap increase at a level not to exceed 2.4 percent, and allocate 1 percent of the rate increase in the Skilled Nursing Facility Quality and Accountability Special Fund for the supplemental payment pool.

- Begin supplemental payment pool quality and accountability payments to SNFs that meet or exceed the required performance measure targets/benchmarks.

When available, further information on the proposed changes may be viewed on the DHCS Long Term Care System Development Unit web page at: www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/Pages/LTCAB1629.aspx.

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENTS

A detailed description of the proposed California legislation that will amend the Welfare and Institutions Code and Health and Safety Code to make the changes described in this notice will be made available for public review at local county welfare offices throughout the State. A copy of the description may also be requested, in writing, from:

Mr. John McCraw, Chief
Long Term Care System Development Unit
Department of Health Care Services
Medi-Cal Benefits, Waiver Analysis, and Rates Division
Department of Health Care Services, MS 4612,
P.O. Box 997413
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Any written comments concerning the proposal may also be mailed to Mr. McCraw at the above address.

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OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT

**California Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Environmental Health Hazard
Assessment
Notice to Interested Parties**

July 23, 2010

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Draft Technical Support Document on Proposed Public Health Goal for Benzo(a)pyrene in Drinking Water

The Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) of the California Environmental



California Regulatory Notice Register

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PROPOSED ACTION ON REGULATIONS

TITLE 2. DEL MAR RACE TRACK AUTHORITY

Conflict-of-Interest Code — Notice File No. Z2010-0708-03 1099

TITLE 2. FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

Conflict-of-Interest Code — Notice File No. Z2010-0709-02 1099

STATE: Board of Chiropractic Examiners

TITLE 2. FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

Conflict-of-Interest Code — Notice File No. Z2010-0713-03 1100

MULTI-COUNTY: Loma Prieta Joint Union Elementary School District

TITLE 2. SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA CONSERVANCY

Conflict-of-Interest Code — Notice File No. Z2010-0713-04 1101

TITLE 2. STATE RACE TRACK LEASING COMMISSION

Conflict-of-Interest Code — Notice File No. Z2010-0708-02 1102

TITLE 2. VICTIM COMPENSATION AND GOVERNMENT CLAIMS BOARD

Victim Compensation Program Regulations — Notice File No. Z2010-0708-06 1103

TITLE 3. DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Mediterranean Fruit Fly Eradication Area — Notice File No. Z2010-0713-06 1105

TITLE 7. BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS

Board Member Terms and Pilot Training — Notice File No. Z2010-0708-04 1107

TITLE 11. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dealer's Record of Sale (DROS) Fee — Notice File No. Z2010-0709-04 1110

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