

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES
NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST**

**PROPOSE A ONE-YEAR SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT FOR FREESTANDING
PEDIATRIC SUBACUTE FACILITIES USING PROPOSITION 56 TOBACCO TAX
FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR THE 2018-19 STATE FISCAL YEAR**

This notice provides information of public interest that the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will submit State Plan Amendment (SPA) 18-0042 to provide a time-limited supplemental payment program for Freestanding Pediatric Subacute (FS/PSA) facilities in Rate Year 2018-19.

SB 856 (Chapter 30, Statutes of 2018), appropriates a specified portion of the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act (commonly known as Prop. 56) revenue to DHCS for use as the nonfederal share of health care expenditures in accordance with the annual state budget process for the 2018-19 state fiscal year. This includes Prop. 56 funds allocated for supplemental payments to FS/PSA facilities.

The supplemental payment amount for FS/PSAs is a fixed amount of \$132.92 for Ventilator and Non-Ventilator services and will be paid per claim, in addition to the per diem rates for the 2018-19 Rate Year.

DHCS projects the overall budgetary impact of the proposed supplemental payments to result in an aggregate expenditure increase of approximately \$8 Million in total funds.

The proposed effective date for this SPA is August 1, 2018, with a proposed end date of July 31, 2019. The proposed SPA 18-0042 is subject to approval by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Public Review and Comments

Upon submission to CMS, a copy of proposed SPA 18-0042 will be published at:
http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/Pages/Pending_2018.aspx

If you would like to view the SPA 18-0042 in person once it becomes available, please visit your local county welfare department. You may also request a copy of the proposed SPA from the mailing address or e-mail address below.

Any written comments may be sent to: Department of Health Care Services, Fee-For-Service Rates Development Division, 1501 Capitol Avenue, MS 4600, Sacramento, California 95899-7417, or may be emailed to Publicinput@dhcs.ca.gov. Please indicate SPA 18-0042 in the subject line or message.

A copy of submitted public comments related to SPA 18-0042 may be requested in writing to the mailing address or e-mail inbox identified above.

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