## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST RELEASE DATE: JUNE 25, 2021

## PROPOSED STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO CALIFORNIA MEDICAID STATE PLAN ATTACHMENT 4.19-B PAGE 5D, TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT (TCM) REIMBURSEMENT METHODOLOGY

This notice is to provide information of public interest about a proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) by the Department of Health Care Services. The proposed SPA 21-0007 will amend Attachment 4.19-B page 5d, to re-define the term "encounter" to include the provision of TCM services via telehealth as well as other permissible communications under Welfare and Institutions Code section 14132.725. The purpose of this amendment is to expand the methods of delivering TCM services eligible for reimbursement as a TCM service to increase participation and access to services in the program.

DHCS estimates that the annual aggregate Medi-Cal expenditures for TCM services will be budget neutral.

The proposed SPA will be effective the day after the COVID-19 public health emergency ends. All proposed SPAs are subject to approval by the Federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

## **PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENTS**

Upon submission to CMS, a copy of the proposed SPA #21-0007 will be published at the following internet address:

https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/Pages/PendingStatePlanAmendments.aspx.

If you would like to view the SPA in person once it becomes available, please visit your local county welfare department. You may also request a copy of proposed SPA #21-0007 using the mailing or email addresses listed below.

Written comments may be sent to the following address:

Department of Health Care Services Local Government Financing Division / Targeted Case Management Unit Attn: Sara Schmid 1501 Capitol Avenue, MS 2628, Sacramento, California 95899-7417 Comments may also be emailed to <a href="maileo-publicInput@dhcs.ca.gov">PublicInput@dhcs.ca.gov</a>. Please indicate SPA #21-0007 in the subject line or message.

A copy of submitted public comments to SPA #21-0007 may be requested in writing to the mailing or email addresses identified above.