

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES
NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST
RELEASE DATE: JUNE 28, 2019**

**PROPOSED STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO EXTEND THE
SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT FOR CERTAIN PHYSICIAN SERVICES
USING PROPOSITION 56 TOBACCO TAX FUNDS
ALLOCATED FOR THE 2019-2020 STATE FISCAL YEAR**

This notice is to provide information of public interest about a proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). The proposed SPA 19-0021 will seek to extend the time-limited supplemental payment program for certain physician services for an additional 30 months, starting July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021. These services are for certain physician services as specified in the table below.

On November 8, 2016, California voters approved the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act (commonly known as Prop. 56) to increase the excise tax rate on cigarettes and tobacco products. The Budget Act of 2019, once enacted, will continue to appropriate a specified portion of the 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 2019-20 state fiscal year.

Submission of SPA 19-0021 is contingent upon allocation of Prop. 56 funds in the enacted 19-20 Budget for this purpose. As currently proposed, this includes funds to be allocated for supplemental payments as follows:

The supplemental payment amounts are fixed amounts to be paid per claim. The supplemental payments are for new and established patient office/outpatient visits, psychiatric diagnostic evaluations, psychiatric diagnostic evaluation with medical services, and psychiatric pharmacological management services as identified by the CPT codes below.

CPT Code	Amount	CPT Code	Amount
99201	\$18.00	99381	\$77.00
99202	\$35.00	99382	\$80.00
99203	\$43.00	99383	\$77.00
99204	\$83.00	99384	\$83.00
99205	\$107.00	99385	\$30.00
99211	\$10.00	99391	\$75.00
99212	\$23.00	99392	\$79.00
99213	\$44.00	99393	\$72.00
99214	\$62.00	99394	\$72.00
99215	\$76.00	99395	\$27.00

CPT Code	Amount	CPT Code	Amount
90791	\$35.00	90863	\$5.00
90792	\$35.00	-	-

DHCS estimates that the annual aggregate Medi-Cal expenditures for certain physician services will be budget neutral by \$173.98 million in total funds, including \$59.15 million in Prop. 56 funds.

The effective date of the proposed SPA is July 1, 2019, with a proposed end date of December 31, 2021. The proposed SPA 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 the proposed SPA #19-0021 will be published at the following internet address:

[Pending State Plan Amendments 2019](#)

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 #19-0021 using the mailing or email addresses listed below.

Written comments may be sent to the following address:

Department of Health Care Services
 Fee-For-Service Rates Development Division
 Attn: Connie Florez
 P.O. Box 997413, MS 4600
 Sacramento, California 95899-7417

Comments may also be emailed to PublicInput@dhcs.ca.gov. Please indicate SPA #19-0021 in the subject line or message.

A copy of submitted public comments to SPA #19-0021 may be requested in writing to the mailing or email addresses identified above.