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To: Tribal Chairpersons, Designees of Indian Health Programs,
and Urban Indian Organizations

Subject: Addendum to Notice of Proposed Change to the Medi-Cal Program

The purpose of this letter is to provide an update to the Tribal Notice for State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0067, released on November 16, 2022. The enclosed update provides information regarding a change in the proposed effective date from one-day following the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE) to January 1, 2023.

If additional information is needed, please send an email to TribalAffairs@dhcs.ca.gov or by mail to the address below:

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Please note that Indian Health Programs and Urban Indian Organizations may also request a consultation on this proposal at any time as needed.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Enclosure



**Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)
Tribal and Designees of Indian Health Programs Notice
Addendum**

PURPOSE

To provide notice of the change in the proposed effective date for State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0067 from one-day following the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE) to January 1, 2023.

BACKGROUND

As previously communicated in the [Tribal and Designees notice released on November 16, 2022](#), SPA 22-0067 proposes to continue supplemental payments for the administration of COVID-19 vaccine-only visits for Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), Rural Health Clinic (RHC), Indian Health Services-Memorandum of Agreement (IHS-MOA), and Tribal FQHC providers. However, the original notification proposed an effective date of one-day following the end of the PHE.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES

DHCS is proposing a change in the effective date of the SPA to January 1, 2023.

IMPACT TO TRIBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

DHCS does not anticipate an impact to Tribal Health Programs as a result of the change in effective date as it will result in an earlier effective date than originally proposed.

IMPACT TO FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS (FQHCs)

DHCS does not anticipate an impact to FQHCs as a result of the change in the effective date as it will result in an earlier effective date than originally proposed.

IMPACT TO INDIAN MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES

DHCS does not anticipate an impact to Indian Medi-Cal beneficiaries as a result of the change in the effective date as it will result in an earlier effective date than originally proposed.

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