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Department of Health Care Services



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Behavioral Health Information Notice No: 21-066

TO: California Alliance of Child and Family Services  
California Association for Alcohol/Drug Educators  
California Association of Alcohol & Drug Program Executives, Inc.  
California Association of DUI Treatment Programs  
California Association of Social Rehabilitation Agencies  
California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals  
California Council of Community Behavioral Health Agencies  
California Hospital Association  
California Opioid Maintenance Providers  
California State Association of Counties  
Coalition of Alcohol and Drug Associations  
County Behavioral Health Directors  
County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California  
County Drug & Alcohol Administrators

SUBJECT: Clarification Regarding the Submissions of Drug Medi-Cal Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP) Cost Reports

PURPOSE: This Behavioral Health Information Notice (BHIN) provides clarification to Drug Medi-Cal counties and certified Narcotic Treatment Programs (NTP) that counties must continue to submit NTP cost information for all their county operated and contracted NTP providers to DHCS by November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

## **BACKGROUND**

California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14124.24(g)(1) requires all county and contracted NTP providers to submit a cost report by November 1<sup>st</sup> following the close of each fiscal year. The department recently issued [BHIN 21-018](#) requiring county contracted NTP providers to submit NTP cost reports beginning with Fiscal Year 2019-20 directly to the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) using specific forms provided by the department.

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**POLICY**

Counties currently submit cost reports for county operated NTP providers and contracted NTP providers. DHCS has not changed this requirement. Counties must continue to submit NTP cost information for all their operated and contracted NTP providers by November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

[BHIN 21-018](#) added an additional requirement to county contracted NTP providers by requiring them to submit NTP cost reports directly to DHCS, but does not exempt counties from continuing to submit NTP cost information for all their county operated and contracted NTP providers.

If you have questions on these requirements, please contact Luis Rodriguez at [Luis.Rodriguez@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:Luis.Rodriguez@dhcs.ca.gov)

Sincerely,

Originally signed by

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Local Governmental Financing Division