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*THIS LETTER SENT VIA EMAIL*

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**WITHDRAWAL OF DISASTER RELIEF STATE PLAN AMENDMENT 25-0001:  
WAIVER FOR DRUG SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS**

Dear Mrs. Miller:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) requests to withdraw Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment (DR-SPA) 25-0001, which was submitted January 21, 2025. This DR SPA proposed to waive any signature requirements for the dispensing of drugs during the Southern California Wildfires Public Health Emergency (PHE), effective date of January 7, 2025, through the end of the Southern California Wildfires PHE.

This withdrawal letter follows CMS' guidance issued on March 07, 2025, that will enable DHCS to exercise its temporary permission to modify pharmacy signature requirements during the PHE for the counties of Los Angeles and Ventura.

DHCS would like to thank CMS staff for the technical assistance provided during their review of this SPA. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Erica Holmes, Assistant Deputy Director, Health Care Benefits & Eligibility, at (916) 345-7799 or by email at [Erica.Holmes@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:Erica.Holmes@dhcs.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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