



NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

RELEASE DATE: JULY 31, 2023

PROPOSED STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO SHIFT REIMBURSEMENT FOR SPECIFIED LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES TO A CALENDAR RATE 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). Proposed SPA 23-0032 proposes that effective January 1, 2024, reimbursement for the following Long-Term Care facilities will shift from an August 1 to July 31 rate year basis to a calendar rate year basis (January 1 to December 31):

- Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF-DD)
- Distinct Part Pediatric Subacute Facilities (DP-PSA)
- Distinct Part Nursing Facilities (DP-NF)
- Distinct Part Subacute Facilities (DP-SA)
- Nursing Facilities-Level A (NF-A)

Assembly Bill 118 (Chapter 42, Statutes of 2023) amended Sections 14105.075 and 14169.81 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC), and added Section 14105.076, to shift the facilities listed above to a calendar rate year basis.

Reimbursement rates will be established pursuant to the methodology applicable to each facility as stated in the State Plan for the August 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 rate period, for the January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 rate period, and for each calendar rate year thereafter.

DHCS estimates that the annual aggregate Medi-Cal expenditures for ICF-DD, DP-PSA, DP-NF, DP-SA, and NF-A services will not be impacted by the shift to a calendar rate year basis, as proposed in SPA 23-0032.

The effective date of the proposed SPA is August 1, 2023. All proposed SPAs are subject to approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).



Public Review and Comments

Upon submission to CMS, a copy of the proposed SPA 23-0032 will be published on:
<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/Pages/Pending-2023.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 23-0032 using the mailing or email address listed below.

Written comments may be sent to the following address:

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Comments may also be emailed to PublicInput@dhcs.ca.gov. Please indicate SPA 23-0032 in the subject line or message.

A copy of submitted public comments to SPA 23-0032 may be requested in writing to the mailing or email address identified above.