

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



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DATE: August 24, 2015

PPL No. 15-020

- TO: Local Educational Agencies (LEAs)
- SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EVERGREEN PROVIDER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT (PPA) IN THE LEA MEDI-CAL BILLING OPTION PROGRAM

This Policy and Procedure Letter (PPL) notifies LEAs participating in the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program that effective July 1, 2015, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will begin implementing the 'Evergreen' PPA. Upon the effective date, the Evergreen PPA will replace the three-year PPA, which has been used by DHCS in preceding years.

The benefit of the Evergreen PPA is that it will not require to be renewed at scheduled three-year intervals and will have no predetermined expiration date. This agreement will remain in effect until terminated either by DHCS or the LEA Provider, pursuant to the terms in Article V, Sections 4 and 5 of the PPA.

The parties may alter the terms of the Evergreen PPA once it is in effect, by way of a written amendment, signed by duly authorized representatives of DHCS and the LEA Provider.

LEAs participating in the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program must sign and submit the Evergreen PPA to DHCS by the mandated due date of October 10.

If you have any questions concerning this PPL, please contact Mr. Rick Record, Chief, LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program, by phone at (916) 552-9222 or by e-mail at <u>Rick.Record@dhcs.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

## **ORIGINAL SIGNED BY MICHELLE KRISTOFF**

Michelle Kristoff, Chief Medi-Cal Administrative Claiming Section