

DHCS Responses to Follow-Up Items from Oct. 24, 2016

Agenda Item/Topic	DHCS Response	DHCS Follow-Up
<p>Updates: <i>Chris Perrone, California Health Care Foundation:</i> Do you have a sense of the churn between Medi-Cal and Covered California?</p>		<p>Data is being validated and will be included in a future ABx 1-1 report.</p>
<p>Updates: <i>Kim Lewis, National Health Law Program:</i> At the last meeting, there was data on the backlog status. Do you have that report ongoing?</p>	<p><i>Jennifer Kent, DHCS:</i> We are tracking that data but there has not been a recent report. I can follow up on the 45-day pending and send that out.</p>	<p>Links to the latest data are available here: http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medical/eligibility/Documents/CFSW/MCRenewalsCounty_Oct16.pdf</p> <p>And here: http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medical/eligibility/Pages/TotalIndOnAppPend45Days.aspx</p>
<p>New CMS Rules Impacting Medi-Cal Program: <i>Anthony Wright, Health Access California:</i> Another part of Section 1557 is the LGBT population. Are there any exceptions being contemplated, such as religious providers? How will you apply the sexual orientation non-discrimination requirements for Catholic or religious providers?</p>	<p><i>Laurie Weaver, DHCS:</i> For transgender populations, we have regulations in place. For providers, we are still discussing the issues.</p> <p><i>Jennifer Kent, DHCS:</i> We just issued an All Plan Letter related to transgender individuals being refused service because of a religious facility, the health plan should have alternate arrangements. The letter on gender reassignment surgery was recently issued and we can make it available.</p>	<p>Link to APL: http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/Documents/MMCDAPLsandPolicyLetters/APL2016/APL16-013.pdf</p>