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DHCS BH All Provider Call Brief Summary 01/26/2022

Technical difficulties led to a short call. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Below are the updates shared in the meeting.

DHCS, CDPH, CDSS and CalHHS will host another COVID-19 call on February 2, 2022 at 8 a.m.

The meeting link will be shared on the <u>COVID-19 Updates</u> page and included in the DHCS email updates on 1/28/22.

To get on the mailing list for updates, or for provider questions related to the public health emergency, email <u>DHCSBHLicenCert@dhcs.ca.gov</u>

CDPH Updates -

Trudy Raymundo, Lead for External Affairs CDPH COVID-19 Response; CDPH

- On January 25, 2022, the deadline for booster doses in 3 State Public Health Officer Orders was updated from February 1, 2022, to March 1, 2022. This change was necessary because of challenges caused by the Omicron surge that made it difficult for some to obtain their booster doses by the initial deadline. For instance, impacted persons were unable to get boosted while ill. Further, there are critical staffing shortages in some areas and additional flexibility is needed due to the fact that boosting can cause missed time from work due to side effects related to receiving booster doses. The links to those updated Orders are below:
 - <u>State and Local Correctional Facilities and Detention Centers Health Care</u> <u>Worker Vaccination Requirement</u>
 - o State Public Health Officer Health Care Worker Vaccine Requirement
 - o Adult Care Facilities and Direct Care Worker Vaccine Requirement
- New resources are available on the CDPH website:
 - Updates! Vaccines
 - FACT SHEET: Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine Benefits and Risk
 - FACT SHEET: Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine Benefits and Risks
 - FACT SHEET: Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine (Comirnaty) Benefits and Risks
 - <u>Choosing the COVID-19 Vaccine that is Right for You</u>

- Updates! Face Coverings
 - Masks for Kids: Tips and Resources
- Updates! Quarantine
 - Self-Quarantine Instructions for Individuals Exposed to COVID-19 Flyer
 - Self-Isolation Instructions for Individuals Who Have or Likely Have COVID-19

CHHS Updates – Stephanie Welch, Deputy Secretary, CHHS

• CalHHS continues to work with stakeholders on workforce issues and will share updates as they are available.

CDSS/CCLD Updates – Claire Matsushita, Program Administrator, Adult and Senior Care Program Office

- We are working on PINs that will reflect changes in terms of boosters, provider notice re quarantine
- Note one non-COVID statutory change for social rehab facilities: <u>SB434</u> ensures advertisement (including internet, website) is accurate and does not lead to a different entity for services.

QUESTIONS

Q: for our Behavioral Health healthcare workers (non-hospital settings) are we to follow the new general public guidelines or the new CDC guidelines for healthcare workers?

A: Behavioral health providers are considered health care facilities and should follow the <u>Public Health Order</u> for vaccines.