

FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

UPDATE OF INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

As authorized by Government Code section 11346.9(d), the Department of Health Care Services (Department) incorporates by reference the Initial Statement of Reasons (ISOR) prepared for this rulemaking.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS / PUBLIC HEARING

The regulation text was made available for public comment for at least 45 days, from September 22, 2023 to November 8, 2023; no public comments were submitted.

There was no public hearing scheduled for this regulatory action.

No changes were made to the proposed regulations nor were changes necessary to the Initial Statement of Reasons, following the 45-Day Public Comment Period.

SUMMARY AND RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments were submitted during the public comment period for this proposed regulatory action; therefore, there are no responses to public comments.

LOCAL MANDATE DETERMINATION

The Department has determined that the proposed regulations would not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts, nor are there any costs for which reimbursement is required by part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of division 4 of the Government Code.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Department has determined that no reasonable alternative considered by the Department or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Department would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which this regulatory action is proposed, would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than this regulatory action, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

Existing Medi-Cal program regulations are located in California Code of Regulations, title 22, division 3. Using this regulatory action to update requirements related to county department contact information that is listed on a Notice of Action is the most effective and convenient way to provide current information directly to those impacted, including applicants, beneficiaries, and county departments.