

Department of Health Care Services Proposed Implementation Plan for Certification/Continued Certification of Providers Under Proposed Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Waiver

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In November 2014, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) submitted to the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) a proposed waiver for Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (“waiver”). A copy of the proposed waiver submission can be found [here](#). Among other things, the proposed waiver seeks to add additional treatment modalities as covered services under Drug Medi-Cal, such as adult residential treatment, which are not currently reimbursable services under Drug Medi-Cal.

Because the proposed waiver has not yet been approved, and its terms are subject to change during the approval process, DHCS cannot provide stakeholders specific instructions regarding its processing of DMC certification applications under the waiver.

DHCS is, however, providing the following preliminary information regarding DMC certification processes anticipated to be followed under the DMC-ODS State Implementation Plan timeline developed by the Substance Use Disorder Compliance Division (SUDCD). This process is subject to adjustments per the final waiver terms and program needs:

- **Applications for new certification**

Providers who are not currently certified, or are certified and requesting certification at a new location, must submit a complete Drug Medi-Cal certification application package, including the most recent version of the *Drug Medi-Cal Application* (DHCS 6001), *Drug Medi-Cal Provider Agreement* (DHCS 6009), *Medi-Cal Disclosure Statement* (DHCS 6207) and all required supporting documentation. If a treatment modality listed on the application has not been approved as a reimbursable Drug Medi-Cal service, DHCS cannot approve an application for certification to provide that service.

- **Adding additional treatment modalities to a pending application for certification or continued certification**

Providers who have submitted a certification application to DHCS that is **pending** with the Provider Enrollment Division (PED) can add such additional treatment modalities to their currently pending application package. Providers interested in doing so should contact PED at DHCSDMCRecert@DHCS.ca.gov to express that interest in adding those modalities, and PED will contact the provider with information on whether the additional treatment modalities are approved for reimbursement under Medi-Cal at that time. If a treatment modality has not been approved as a reimbursable Drug Medi-Cal service at the time, DHCS cannot approve an application for certification to provide that service.

- **Providers with active approved certification**

Providers that have **already been approved** for continued certification or new certification can also add to their certification a Drug Medi-Cal treatment modality proposed for approval as a Medi-Cal service under the proposed waiver. Interested providers should submit to PED the most recent version of the *Medi-Cal Supplemental Changes* form (DHCS 6209). **Please do not submit the DHCS 6209 if the service being added is already part of an approved modality under Medi-Cal.** Additional information about how to fill out this form is available in the article, “Instructions for completing the Medi-Cal Supplemental Changes DHCS 6209 form for additional Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Waiver modalities” found [here](#). As noted above, if a treatment modality has not been approved as a reimbursable Drug Medi-Cal service at the time, DHCS cannot approve an application for certification to provide that service.

Based on an Expression of Interest Survey of the counties, SUDCD anticipates the following five waiver implementation phases:

- **Phase 1:** Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Napa, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma
- **Phase 2:** Kern, Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura
- **Phase 3:** Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Inyo, Kings, Madera, Merced, Mono, Placer, Sacramento, Stanislaus, Yolo, San Joaquin, Sutter, Tuolumne, Yuba
- **Phase 4:** Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Nevada, Plumas, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama, Trinity
- **Phase 5:** Tribal Delivery System

DHCS anticipates prioritizing application processing as needed to accommodate these implementation phases. For additional information regarding the proposed phases of implementation, please refer to the [draft DHCS State Implementation Plan](#).

If you have questions regarding this information, please contact DHCS through the DHCSDMCRecert@dhcs.ca.gov email box or by telephone at (916) 323-1945, option 6.