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THIS LETTER SENT VIA EMAIL

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WITHDRAWAL OF ALTERNATIVE BENEFIT PLAN STATE PLAN AMENDMENT
(SPA) 19-0016: NEW SCHOOL-BASED VISION CARE SERVICE IN THE LOCAL
EDUCATIONAL AGENCY MEDI-CAL BILLING OPTION PROGRAM (LEA BOP)

Dear Mr. Scott:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) wishes to withdraw ABP SPA 19-0016, which was submitted on March 29, 2019. SPA 19-0016 proposed to align the ABP with SPA 19-0009 to provide comprehensive vision services and eyeglasses as a new service to the LEA BOP. DHCS submitted a withdrawal letter for SPA 19-0009 to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on April 22, 2022. Consequently, DHCS no longer needs to update the ABP to align with SPA 19-0009.

DHCS would like to thank the CMS for the technical assistance provided during their review of these SPAs. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Lisa Murawski, Chief of Benefits Division, at (916) 345-8240 or by email at Lisa.Murawski@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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