DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST RELEASE DATE: AUGUST 22, 2022

ADDENDUM TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE FOR PROPOSED STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SERVICES AND PROVIDERS FROM THE ASSEMBLY BILL 97 PAYMENT REDUCTIONS

This is an Addendum to the Public Notice for proposed SPA 22-0039, published June 28, 2022.

May it be known that the following change has been made to the original public notice:

The Health Omnibus Bill of 2022 (Senate Bill 184, Chapter 47, Statutes of 2022), amended Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) section 14105.197, authorizes the Department to maintain payment levels in effect on December 31, 2021, including supplemental payments or rate increases under the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 (Proposition 56, an initiative measure approved at the November 8, 2016, statewide general election) for Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT). Accordingly, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will increase the following fee-for-service NEMT service reimbursement rates to reflect the payment levels in effect on December 31, 2021, effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2022:

NEMT Service	Rate
Non-emergency transportation: wheelchair van	\$20.30
Basic Life Support (BLS) mileage (per mile) (use for wheelchair and litter van transports only)	\$1.50

NEMT Rate Table:

The effective date of the proposed SPA remains July 1, 2022.

No other terms or conditions listed in the original public notice have changed.