

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 prepared for this rulemaking.

No changes were made to the regulations nor were changes necessary to the Initial Statement of Reasons, following the 45-day public comment period.

LOCAL MANDATE DETERMINATION

The Department has determined that the proposed regulations would not impose a new 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 was taken, would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the 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. The Department is required pursuant to Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code Section 14105, to establish reimbursement rates as appropriated by the Legislature, for Medi-Cal providers of health care services. These regulations, as required by W&I Code Section 14105, serve as an effective way to provide for the official publication of these rates for which facilities have received funding.

SUMMARY AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

The Department did not receive any written comments during the 45-day public comment period. A public hearing was not requested.