

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES  
NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT FOR GLOBAL PAYMENT PROGRAM AND PACE  
SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

This notice is to provide information of public interest with respect to the proposed amendment to the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) of the Medi-Cal 2020 demonstration waiver to implement an extension to the Global Payment Program (GPP).

GPP is currently approved for five Program Years (PY), which began on July 1, 2015, and ends on June 30, 2020. The proposal will extend the program for six months, which covers July, 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. This amendment will allow the GPP to continue operations for the entirety of the Medi-Cal 2020 waiver period while finalizing GPP Special Terms and Conditions for the next waiver period.

Welfare and Institutions Code section 14184.40 authorizes DHCS to implement the GPP. The GPP establishes a statewide pool of funding for California's remaining uninsured by allocating over \$2 billion of combined federal DSH and uncompensated care funding to Public Health Care Systems (PHCS). These funds support PHCS efforts to provide health care for California's uninsured population and promotes the delivery of more cost-effective and higher-value care to the uninsured.

This amendment will have no additional impact to services provided by hospitals, nor will it have any impact to the Demonstration Waiver budget neutrality or expenditure authority.

There are no proposed changes to health care delivery systems for the program or the related eligibility requirements.

There is no expected increase or decrease in annual enrollment or in annual expenditures.

DHCS is also proposing to amend the STCs of the Medi-Cal 2020 waiver to allow for the operation of the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) in Orange County, independent of CalOptima, the County Operated Health System (COHS). This amendment is necessary to allow for the enrollment of Medi-Cal beneficiaries in a PACE health plan not operated or subcontracted by CalOptima. The amendment will increase beneficiary access to PACE services in Orange County, and is supported by CalOptima.

Welfare and Institutions Code section 14592 authorizes DHCS to implement the PACE program. PACE is a fully integrated Medicare and Medi-Cal health plan model that coordinates and provides all needed preventive, primary, acute and long-term care services so that their participants can continue living in the community.

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Additional information about the GPP is available on the [DHCS GPP website](#). If you have questions or comments, please email us at [globalpaymentprogram@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:globalpaymentprogram@dhcs.ca.gov).

Additional information about PACE is available on the [DHCS PACE website](#). If you have questions or comments, please email us at [pace@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:pace@dhcs.ca.gov).