State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
Department of Health Care Services

JENNIFER KENT
DIRECTOR

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
GOVERNOR

DATE: November 28, 2018

QIP POLICY LETTER 18—001

TO: ALL QIP ENTITIES

SUBJECT: QIP REPORTING PY 1

PURPOSE:
This QIP Policy Letter (QPL) informs all QIP Entities of the reporting requirements for Program Year (PY) 1 (July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018).

BACKGROUND:
Beginning with the July 1, 2017, rating period, DHCS will implement a managed care Designated Public Hospital (DPH) Quality Incentive Program. DHCS will direct MCPs to make QIP payments tied to performance on designated performance metrics in four strategic categories: primary care, specialty care, inpatient care, and resource utilization. The QIP payments will be linked to delivery of services under the MCP contracts and increase the amount of funding tied to quality outcomes. To receive QIP payments the DPH systems must achieve specified improvement targets, which grow more difficult through year-over-year improvement or sustained high performance requirements. The total funding available for the QIP payments will be limited to a predetermined amount (pool).

POLICY:
All QIP entities must complete and submit the following items (attached) no later than December 15, 2018 via email to their QIP Liaisons. **No extensions will be granted.**

- QIP PY 1 Reporting Form (must be sent via encrypted email)

- QIP PY 1 Report Submission Certification Form

Entities must make every effort to ensure that all data submitted in the PY 1 report is true, accurate, complete and compliant with the forthcoming QIP data integrity policy as of the date of submission. **No data corrections will be allowed after December 15, 2018**.

Please note that all QIP entities must report on at least 20 metrics to receive any payment for PY 1.

If you have any questions, please contact your QIP Liaison or email the QIP Mailbox at QIP@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY KAREN MARK

Karen E. Mark, MD, PhD
Medical Director

Enclosures: QIP PY 1 Reporting Form
QIP PY 1 Report Submission Certification Form