

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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To: All County Welfare Directors

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## HOSPITAL SERVICES FOR MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES

This is to notify you that the attached stuffer will be included with Medi-Cal cards issued for March, 1983. In All County Welfare Directors Letter 82-68 dated December 6, 1982, we previously informed you about the hospital contracts to be awarded by the Governor's Office Special Hospital Negotiator (GOSHN). This information pertains only to Medi-Cal eligibles, not to persons eligible under county Medically Indigent programs.

As you may recall the GOSHN process means that when an area is "closed", only hospitals which have been awarded these contracts or exempt hospitals will be authorized to provide non-emergency inpatient hospital services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries. The providers in closed areas are notified via Medi-Cal Update Bulletins about the contracting and non-contracting hospitals and will arrange hospital admittance for their Medi-Cal patients accordingly. The exceptions to this contract process are when the beneficiary requires emergency services, until Medicare benefits are exhausted, or under certain circumstances involving community travel times which will be arranged by the provider.

Hospital contracting is already in effect in the Metropolitan Sacramento Area, San Francisco/Daly City Area, Long Beach-Lynwood-Compton Area and the Metropolitan and Eastern San Diego Area. The attached list indicates the contracting and non-contracting hospitals in these areas. As other areas are closed by contracting we will advise you. Effective March 1, 1983 the following areas will also be closed for inpatient hospital services: Berkeley, Oakland, Hayward, Redwood City, Palo Alto and San Jose. The attached list also indicates the hospitals which are expected to contract with the State on March 1.

Most often, the provider will furnish all the necessary information to beneficiaries and county eligibility staff should refer questions to the provider whenever possible. For additional information, beneficiaries can contact the Medi-Cal Relations Unit at (916) 445-0266.

We are developing a detailed question and answer letter which should be transmitted to counties the end of March. In the meantime, if you have any questions, you may contact Pat Morrison at (916) 445-1797.

Sincerely,

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## Attachments

cc: Medi-Cal Liaisons  
Medi-Cal Program Consultants

METROPOLITAN SACRAMENTO AREA

Contracting Hospitals

Community Hospital of Sacramento	Mercy Sacramento
Methodist Hospital	Sutter General
U.C. Davis Medical Center	Sutter Memorial

(There are no non-contracting or exempt hospitals within this area.)

SAN FRANCISCO/DALY CITY AREA

Contracting Hospitals

Children's Hospital of San Francisco	St. Francis Memorial Hospital
Chinese Hospital	San Francisco General Hospital Medical Center
Marshal Hale Memorial Hospital	St. Lukes Hospital
Ralph K. Davies Medical Center	Garden Sullivan
Mary's Help Hospital	Langley Porter Psychiatric Institute
Pacific Medical Center	

Non-Contracting Hospitals

California Podiatry	St. Mary's Hospital
French Hospital	U.C. San Francisco Medical Center
Laguna Honda Hospital	Kaiser of San Francisco
Mount Zion Hospital	

Exempt and Other Hospitals

Shriners Hospital

LONG BEACH-LYNWOOD-COMPTON AREA

Contracting Hospitals

Avalon Municipal	Los Altos Hospital
Community Hospital of Huntington Park	Memorial Hospital of Long Beach
Doctors Hospital Lakewood/Clark	Mission Hospital of Huntington Park
Doctors Hospital Lakewood/South	St. Francis Medical Center of Lynwood
Dominquez Valley Hospital	Harbor General - Los Angeles County
Long Beach Hospital	St. Mary Medical Center

Non-Contracting Hospitals

Bay Harbor	Woodruff Community Hospital
Charter Baywood	Westside Community Hospital of Long Beach
Long Beach Community	Kaiser of Carson
Pacific Hospital of Long Beach	Kaiser of Harbor City
San Pedro and Peninsula Hospital	

Exempt and Other Hospitals

Naval Regional Medical Center - Long Beach  
Veteran's Administration Medical Center - Long Beach

METROPOLITAN AND EASTERN SAN DIEGO AREA

Contracting Hospitals

Alvarado Community Hospital	Paradise Valley Hospital
Bay General Community Hospital	San Diego Physicians and Surgeons Hospital
College Park Hospital	Sharp-Cabrillo Hospital
Community Hospital of Chula Vista	Southwood Mental Health Center
Grossmont Hospital	U.C. San Diego Hospital
Hillside Hospital	Villa View Community Hospital
Mercy Hospital and Medical Center	Vista Hill Hospital

Non-Contracting Hospitals

Centre City Hospital	El Cajon Hospital
Coronado Hospital	Kaiser Foundation Hospital El Cajon

Exempt and Other Hospitals

San Diego County Hillcrest Mental Health Facility  
San Diego County Loma Portal Mental Health Facility

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BERKELEY

Contracting Hospitals

Alta Bates Hospital --  
Alta Bates Hospital at Albany

Non-Contracting Hospitals

Herrick Hospital and Health Center

OAKLAND

Contracting Hospitals

Highland General Hospital  
Oakland Hospital  
Samuel Merritt Hospital  
Peralta Hospital

Non-Contracting Hospitals

Alameda Hospital  
Providence Hospital  
Kaiser Foundation Hospital (Oakland)

Exempt and Other Hospitals

Children's Hospital Medical Center  
of Northern California  
Everett A. Gladman Memorial Hospital-  
Psychiatric  
Naval Regional Medical Center

HAYWARD

Contracting Hospitals

Fairmont Hospital  
St. Rose Hospital  
Vesper Memorial Hospital of  
San Leandro  
Washington Hospital (Fremont)  
Hayward Versper Hospital

Non-Contracting Hospitals

Eden Hospital  
Laurel Grove Hospital  
Doctors Hospital of San Leandro  
Kaiser Foundation Hospital (Hayward)

REDWOOD CITY

Contracting Hospitals

Sequoia Hospital

Non-Contracting Hospitals

Kaiser Foundation Hospital (Redwood City)

Exempt and Other Hospitals

Belmont Hills Psychiatric Center-Psychiatric

PALO ALTO

Contracting Hospitals

Stanford University Hospital

Non-Contracting Hospitals

El Camino Hospital  
Kaiser Foundation Hospital (Santa Clara)

Exempt and Other Hospitals

Children's Hospital at Stanford  
Veterans Administration Medical Center  
(Palo Alto)

SAN JOSE

Contracting Hospitals

Community Hospital (Los Gatos-Saratoga)  
O'Connor Hospital, Inc.  
Santa Clara Valley Medical Center  
Alexian Brothers Hospital

Non-Contracting Hospitals

San Jose Hospital  
Good Samaritan Hospital of  
Santa Clara Valley  
Valley West General Hospital, Inc.  
Santa Teresa Community Hospital (Kaiser)  
O'Connor Hospital at Campbell

Exempt and Other Hospitals

Park Alameda Health Facility-Psychiatric

## INFORMATIONAL NOTICE REGARDING HOSPITALIZATION

This notice gives you additional information on how Medi-Cal provides hospital inpatient care to you and your family. The State is in the process of selecting certain hospitals to provide nonemergency inpatient care for Medi-Cal beneficiaries. As these hospitals are selected, we are informing all doctors in your area so that they can make proper arrangements for any nonemergency inpatient care you need. (Medi-Cal will continue to pay for *emergency* care at *any* hospital.)

Some of you were sent a list of selected hospitals and were told that after January 1, Medi-Cal would only pay for nonemergency care in those hospitals. Instead, this change did not happen until February 1. As the State selects more hospitals to provide care for you, we will keep all doctors in your area informed. These changes will not affect the type or quality of the medical care you receive.

If you have Medi-Cal and are a member of Kaiser, Ross Loos, CHAMPUS, or a prepaid health plan, your health care will continue to be provided by them as it has in the past.

If you or a family member are Medicare patients, who also have Medi-Cal, you can continue to receive care in any hospital until your Medicare hospital benefits are exhausted.

You and your family can still go to any clinic or hospital for care not requiring you to stay overnight in the hospital. If you have any questions or need care, contact your doctor. If you have questions your doctor cannot answer, you may contact your local county welfare department eligibility worker or call the Medi-Cal Relations Unit at (916) 445-0266.

## AVISO DE INFORMACION RESPECTO A HOSPITALIZACION

Este aviso le da a Ud. información adicional de cómo Medi-Cal provee servicios hospitalarios para Ud. y su familia. El Estado está en el proceso de seleccionar ciertos hospitales que den servicios que no son de emergencia para los beneficiarios de Medi-Cal. Nosotros estamos informando a los médicos en su área cuando los hospitales son seleccionados, así ellos pueden hacer los arreglos necesarios para que Ud. reciba, cuando necesite, cualquier servicio que no es de emergencia. (Medi-Cal continuará pagando los servicios de *emergencia* en *cualquier* hospital.)

Se envió a alguno de Uds. una lista de los hospitales seleccionados y se les decía que después del 1° de enero Medi-Cal sólo pagaría en esos hospitales los servicios que no son de emergencia. Sin embargo, este cambio no sucedió hasta el 1° de febrero. Cuando el Estado seleccione más hospitales para darle atención a Ud., nosotros le informaremos a los médicos en su área. Estos cambios no afectarán el tipo o calidad de los servicios médicos que Ud. reciba.

Si Ud. tiene Medi-Cal y es miembro de Kaiser, Ross Loos, CHAMPUS o un plan de salud pagado por adelantado, el cuidado para su salud seguirá siendo dado por ellos como era en el pasado.

Si Ud. o un miembro de su familia son pacientes de Medicare pero también tienen Medi-Cal, Uds. continuarán recibiendo atención en cualquier hospital hasta que se terminen sus beneficios hospitalarios de Medicare.

Usted y su familia todavía pueden ir a cualquier clínica u hospital por servicios que no requieran que tenga que pasar la noche. Si Ud. tiene cualquier pregunta o necesita atención, póngase en contacto con su médico. Si Ud. tiene preguntas que su médico no puede contestar, Ud. puede ponerse en contacto con su trabajador de elegibilidad en su departamento de bienestar del condado o llame a la Oficina de Relaciones de Medi-Cal (Medi-Cal Relations Unit) al (916) 445-0266.