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TO: Local Educational Consortia and
Local Governmental Agency Coordinators for
School-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities

SUBJECT: Notification that Local Educational Agencies who participate in both Local Educational Agency Medi-Cal Billing Option and School-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities program may include providers in the School-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities invoice.

This Policy and Procedure Letter (PPL) is to notify the Local Educational consortia (LEC) and Local Governmental Agency (LGA) coordinators that LGAs can now submit School-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (SMAA) invoices, that include the standardized account code structure (SACS) resource code 5640. This is pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 51535.5, Reimbursement to Local Education Agency (LEA) providers.

According to Title XIX, Medical Assistance Program, California Department of Education (CDE) SACS resource code 5640 is used for reporting the allocation of federal revenue, by Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), to seek reimbursement for cost of Medi-Cal-covered services delivered by LEA providers for the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program (Program).

For SMAA, LEAs certify that they have funds available from non-federal matching sources in an amount equal to 100% of the SMAA costs, expenditures are not federal grant funds or federal funds, and those expenditures are eligible for Federal Financial Participation (FFP). The SMAA Manual has previously instructed to exclude the federal series of SACS resource codes 3000-5999 from the expenditures. However, the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011/2012 SMAA Manual has been updated to specifically include resource code 5640 in the expenditure reports.

DHCS will accept SMAA invoices that include SACS resource code 5640 backdating from July 1, 2010 (first quarter of FY 2010/2011), onward from LEAs who participate in both the LEA program and the SMAA program. Revised invoices will also be accepted for claiming units whose providers under SACS resource code 5640 were omitted from the original invoice.

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It is the responsibility of the LEAs to ensure that Medi-Cal furnished services performed by qualified practitioners in the LEA program are not also reported as SMAA Program activities, to avoid duplicate payments.

LECs and LGAs must also be aware of the invoice amount to make certain that payments will not exceed their contract limits. If LECs and LGAs submit invoices that go above their contracted amount for that fiscal year, they must amend their existing contract to receive payment.

If you have any questions concerning this PPL, please contact Ms. Barbara Schultz, SMAA Unit Chief, at (916) 552-9049 or Barbara.Schultz@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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