From: <u>DMHC Licensing eFiling</u>

Subject: APL 19-018 (OPL) Requirements Pursuant to AB 2941 - State of Emergency in

Los Angeles and Riverside Counties

**Date:** Monday, October 14, 2019 11:58:25 AM

Attachments: APL19-018 (OPL) State of Emergency (10.14.19).pdf

Dear Health Plan Representative,

Please see the attached All Plan Letter regarding the requirements under Assembly Bill 2941 (Berman, Ch. 196, Stats. 2018) and the related DMHC filing instructions for the Governor's proclamation of a State of Emergency in Los Angeles and Riverside counties due to the effects of several fires.

Thank you.



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## **ALL PLAN LETTER**

**DATE:** October 14, 2019

**TO:** All Health Care Service Plans

**FROM:** Phuc Nguyen, Acting Deputy Director

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SUBJECT: APL 19-018 (OPL) Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency Due

to Fires in Los Angeles and Riverside Counties.

The Department of Managed Health Care (the DMHC) issues this All Plan Letter (APL) to remind health care service plans (plans) of the requirements under Assembly Bill 2941 (Berman, Ch. 196, Stats. 2018) and the related DMHC filing instructions.

## A. Filing Requirement Under Assembly Bill 2941

Governor Newsom recently issued an emergency proclamation for Los Angeles and Riverside counties due to the effects of several fires, including the Saddleridge, Eagle, Sandalwood, Reche, and Wolf fires.<sup>1</sup> Assembly Bill 2941 (Berman, Ch. 196, Stats. 2018) requires plans to provide enrollees displaced by a declared state of emergency with continued access to medically necessary health care services.

Within 48 hours of a proclamation of a State of Emergency by the Governor that displaces or has the immediate potential to displace enrollees, each plan operating in the county(ies) included in the proclamation must file a notice with the DMHC:

- Describing whether the plan has experienced or expects to experience any disruption to plan operations;
- Explaining how the plan is communicating with potentially impacted enrollees; and,
- Summarizing actions the plan has taken or is in process of taking to ensure the health care needs of enrollees are met.

If your plan operates in any of the counties subject to a proclamation of a State of Emergency, please submit the information required by AB 2941 through the DMHC's eFiling system as an Exhibit J-17 and as an Amendment filing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Office of Governor Gavin Newsom website

## B. Notice of Governor's Proclamations of a State of Emergency

To ensure timely notice of a proclamation of a State of Emergency, you may register to receive email notifications from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services by going to Office of Emergency Services News website and submitting your email address in the field located on the right hand side of the webpage under the heading "Don't Miss a Thing!"

If you have questions regarding AB 2941, please contact your plan's assigned reviewer in the DMHC Office of Plan Licensing.