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Dear Health Plan Representative,

Please see attached All Plan Letter regarding the requirements under Assembly Bill 2941 (Berman, Ch. 196, Stats. 2018) and the related DMHC filing instructions.

Thank you.



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ALL PLAN LETTER

DATE: February 28, 2019

TO: All Health Care Service Plans

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SUBJECT: APL-19-007 (OPL) Governor's Declarations of Emergency

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 declared a state of emergency in a number of California counties due to severe storms.¹ 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 declaration 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 declaration 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.

¹ <https://www.gov.ca.gov/2019/02/21/governor-newsom-declares-state-of-emergency-in-counties-across-california-due-to-winter-storms/>;
<https://www.gov.ca.gov/2019/02/28/five-counties-emergency/>.

If your plan operates in any of the counties subject to a declared 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.

B. Notice of Governor's Declarations of Emergency

To ensure timely notice of declarations of a State of Emergency, you may register to receive email notifications from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services by going to <http://www.oesnews.com/> 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.