

COUNTY MEDICAL SERVICES PROGRAM
GOVERNING BOARD

RESOLUTION 2013-1

WHEREAS, the County Medical Services Program (“CMSP” or the “Program”) provides health care coverage to low-income adults in 35 rural and semi-rural counties; and

WHEREAS, the County Medical Services Program Governing Board (“Governing Board”) provides policy direction for the Program and, as part of its responsibility, the Governing Board sets beneficiary eligibility requirements, determines the scope of covered health care benefits, establishes the payment rates paid to health care providers participating in the Program, and approves the establishment of Pilot Projects such as Path2Health, a Low Income Health Program; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board has received funding from counties participating in CMSP, funds allocated to CMSP from State Health Realignment revenues, and, with regard to Path2Health, federal Medicaid matching funds, but the authority for Path2Health and the associated federal Medicaid matching funds expire December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the State legislature adopted the Realignment Trailer Bills to the FY 2013-14 State Budget which will reduce overall funding for CMSP beginning January 2014 resulting from the loss of State Health Realignment funding (composed of State Sales Tax and Vehicle License Fee revenues) for CMSP; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Realignment Trailer Bills, Welfare and Institutions Code Section 17600.50(a) was enacted as follows:

(a) A county that participated in the County Medical Services Program in the 2011–12 fiscal year, including the Counties of Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Imperial, Inyo, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Modoc, Mono, Napa, Nevada, Plumas, San Benito, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tuolumne, and Yuba and the Governing Board of the County Medical Services Program, shall adopt resolutions by December 4, 2013, that confirm acceptance for the following approach to determining payments to the Family Support Services Subaccount:

(1) The amount of payments to the Family Support Services Subaccount shall be equal to 60 percent of the sum of the following:

(A) The 1991 health realignment funds that would have otherwise been allocated to the counties listed above pursuant to Sections 17603, 17604, 17606.10, and 17606.20 and the maintenance of effort in subdivision (a) of Section 17608.10 for these counties, as those sections read on January 1, 2012.

(B) The 1991 health realignment funds that would have otherwise been allocated to the County Medical Services Program pursuant to Sections 17603, 17604, 17605.07, and 17606.20, as those sections read on January 1, 2012.

(2) The payment computed in paragraph (1) shall be achieved through the following:

(A) Each county listed in subdivision (a) shall pay the amounts otherwise payable to the County Medical Services Program pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (j) of Section 16809 to the Family Support Services Subaccount.

(B) The County Medical Services Program shall pay the difference between the total computed in paragraph (1) and the amount calculated in subparagraph (A) from funds provided pursuant to the Welfare and Institutions Code.

WHEREAS, Section 17600.50(a) effectively protects County Health Realignment funding for local purposes and limits each CMSP County's Health Realignment contribution to the State to the amount the County would otherwise pay to participate in CMSP, and provides funding to CMSP to assist in providing services for the remaining uninsured; and

WHEREAS, Section 17600.50(a) requires the Governing Board to adopt a resolution confirming acceptance for the approach set forth in Section 17600.50(a) in determining payments to the Family Support Services Subaccount; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board believes it is in the best interest of the Program and counties participating in CMSP to confirm acceptance for the approach set forth in Section 17600.50(a) in determining payments to the Family Support Services Subaccount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Medical Services Program Governing Board does hereby resolve that:

1. The Governing Board approves of the approach set forth in Section 17600.50(a) in determining payments to the Family Support Services Subaccount;

2. The Governing Board approves and ratifies the actions of the Director of Policy & Planning and the Director of Finance & Administration and the staff of the Governing Board heretofore taken which are in conformity with the intent and purposes of these resolutions;

3. The Governing Board authorizes the Director of Policy & Planning and the Director of Finance & Administration of the Governing Board to implement and take such action on behalf of the Governing Board as such individuals may determine to be necessary or desirable, with advice of legal counsel, to carry out all actions authorized by the Governing Board in this Resolution; and

4. The Governing Board requests that all counties that participated in CMSP in FY 2011-12 adopt resolutions ratifying this Resolution of the Governing Board and the provisions set forth in Section 17600.50(a) and provide a copy of the county's resolution to the Governing Board and the Director of the California Department of Finance.

The foregoing resolution was approved this 26th day of September, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: 8

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

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By: _____



Elliott Smart, Chair

Date: September 26, 2013