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TO: California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS

FROM: Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
Division of HIV and STD Programs (DHSP)

SUBJECT: LOW INCOME HEALTH PROGRAM TRANSITION UPDATE

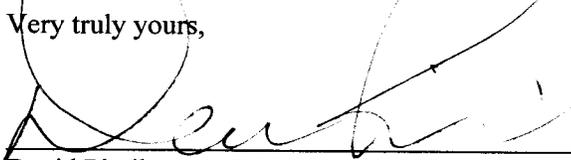
This is to provide you with an update on Los Angeles County (LAC) Low Income Health Program (LIHP) transition. Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (DHS) is on target to begin enrolling LIHP-eligible Ryan White patients to the local LIHP, Healthy Way LA (HWLA), beginning July 1, 2012.

DHS is completing the new HWLA enrollment platform, Your Benefits Now/LEADER, and has scheduled trainings of the ADAP and other enrollment workers (e.g., benefits specialists) to assist HWLA-eligible Ryan White patients with the transition. The training will begin on June 18 and 19, and continue through the end of June for over 150 enrollment workers. DHSP has sent the training schedule to Ms. Jill Somers to coordinate with the ADAP/Ramsell training on the ADAP enrollment screen changes.

LAC is employing a streamlined process for client screening/enrollment for LIHP. Ryan White patients will be screened for HWLA during their State ADAP eligibility screenings. The ADAP eligibility workers will not only screen for HWLA but also conduct HWLA enrollment for the eligible clients to make the transition as seamless for the client as possible. In the May 16 conference call with OA, LAC DHS and DHSP, OA agreed to allow a 90-day LIHP application processing grace period for LAC. ADAP will pay for medications during the grace period.

DHSP continues to work with its County DHS partners to complete the elements critical to patients' continuity of care, e.g., the establishment/refinement of the specialty care mechanism and the pharmacy network. We will work with Office of AIDS to coordinate necessary steps for a smooth transition. Please let us know if we can provide you with any additional information.

Very truly yours,


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Healthy Way LA Training for Ryan White/ADAP Enrollers

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Session 1-June 18 & 19: 8:30 am – 4:30pm

Rancho Los Amigos Rehabilitation Center

7601 Imperial Highway

Downey, 90242

500 Bldg, Conference Rm. 112 & 113

Session 2-June 20 & 21: 8:30am – 4:30pm

LA County College of Nursing,

1237 N. Mission Rd.

Los Angeles, 90033

Conference Rm. 105

Session 3-June 25 & 26: 8:30am – 4:30 pm

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Conference Rm. 122

Session 4-June 27 & 28: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

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