



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING (CDA)

FAX

TO: All ADHC Providers

FROM: Adult Day Health Care Branch

DATE: December 2, 2011

SUBJECT: Settlement of the ADHC Lawsuit and State Plan Amendment Approval to Extend ADHC Benefit Elimination to March 1, 2012

Following is a brief summary of ADHC program developments:

- On December 1, 2011, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and plaintiffs jointly filed a signed settlement agreement with the U.S. District Court to resolve the *Esther Darling, et al. v. Toby Douglas, et al.*, lawsuit challenging the elimination of the Adult Day Health Care benefit. The settlement agreement can be viewed at <http://DHCS.ca.gov/ADHCtransition>.
- On November 30, 2011, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services approved the state's request to extend the elimination date of the ADHC benefit to March 1, 2012. This allows the state necessary time to implement the new Community Based Adult Services (CBAS) program. The State Plan Amendment can be viewed at www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/CA%2011-035%20Approval%20Letter.pdf
- Additional information and updates may be obtained on the following websites:
 - DHCS ADHC Transition website at <http://DHCS.ca.gov/ADHCtransition>
 - CDA ADHC website at www.aging.ca.gov/programs/adhc

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