CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING (CDA)

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TO: **All Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS) Providers**

FROM: **CBAS Branch**

DATE: **August 1, 2012**

SUBJECT: **Notice Regarding CBAS Medi-Cal Benefit**

CDA is sending this letter to inform CBAS providers of a notice being mailed to CBAS eligible participants today. The attached notice explains that in order to continue receiving CBAS services on or after October 1, 2012, CBAS eligible participants must be enrolled in Medi-Cal managed care. The notice explains the process and deadline for choosing a Medi-Cal managed care health plan or choosing to stay in regular Medi-Cal (fee-for-service).

Additional information on the CBAS program may be found at the following websites:

- DHCS CBAS/ADHC Transition website at http://DHCS.ca.gov/ADHCtransition
- CDA CBAS website at www.aging.ca.gov/ProgramsProviders/ADHC-CBAS/Default.asp

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Important Medi-Cal Changes

Notice Regarding CBAS Medi-Cal Benefit

Community Based Adult Services (CBAS) is the program that replaced the Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Program on 4/1/12. We sent you a letter telling you that you are eligible for CBAS.

To still get Community Based Adult Services (CBAS) on and after 10/1/2012, you must enroll in a Medi-Cal managed care health plan. If you are not in a Medi-Cal managed care health plan by 9/30/2012, you will not be able to get CBAS.

If you already chose a managed care health plan or regular Medi-Cal, you do not need to choose again. If you still need to make a choice, this letter can help you.

What do I need to do?

You have two choices:

- **If you want to still get CBAS on and after 10/1/2012, you must be in a Medi-Cal managed care health plan.** To choose a health plan, fill out and return the choice form by **9/18/2012**. The choice form is in your "My Medi-Cal Choice for Healthy Care" booklet. If you do not fill out and return the form, you will be enrolled in a health plan. You can also enroll by phone (please see the next page).
- **If you stay in regular Medi-Cal, you cannot get CBAS after 10/1/2012. To stay in regular Medi-Cal,** you **must choose** regular Medi-Cal (fee-for-service) on your choice form. You must return the form by **9/18/2012**. If you attended an Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) center between 7/1/2011 and 2/29/2012, you will be able to get Enhanced Case Management services in regular Medi-Cal.

If you do not make a choice you will be enrolled in a health plan. Your enrollment will start **10/1/2012**. If you want to change your health plan or go back to regular Medi-Cal, you can choose at any time by calling Health Care Options (please see the next page). **If you choose to stay in regular Medi-Cal or go back to regular Medi-Cal, you cannot get CBAS.**

What if I have Medicare?

Your Medicare ***will not*** change. This includes your:

- Medicare coverage
- Medicare doctors and specialists you see outside a CBAS center
- Social Security benefits

Please tell your Medicare doctors that being in a Medi-Cal managed care health plan will not change your Medicare services. You can join a health plan and get CBAS and still get all your regular Medicare services.

How do I enroll or get more information?

- **To enroll by phone**, or to get help or more information, call Health Care Options. Health Care Options Representatives are available: Monday - Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

English		1-800-430-4263	**Korean**	한국어	1-800-576-6883
Arabic	اللغة العربية	1-800-576-6881	**Mandarin**	國語	1-800-576-6885
Armenian	Հայերեն	1-800-840-5032	**Russian**	Русский	1-800-430-7007
Cambodian	ภาสาไทย	1-800-430-5005	**Spanish**	**Español**	1-800-430-3003
Cantonese	粵語	1-800-430-6006	**Tagalog**	**Tagalog**	1-800-576-6890
Farsi	فارسی	1-800-840-5034	**Vietnamese**	Tiếng Việt	1-800-430-8008
Hmong	**Hmoob**	1-800-430-2022	**Other Languages**		1-800-430-4263

TDD/TTY 1-800-430-7077

- **To enroll in person**, look in your "My Medi-Cal Choice for Healthy Care" booklet for the schedule of presentations.
- **To enroll by mail**, fill out and return the choice form in your booklet. If you don't have a form call Health Care Options.
- **For more information**, visit: http://www.healthcareoptions.dhcs.ca.gov

Is that all I need to do?

No. When you enroll in a health plan you will still get some services through regular Medi-Cal.

- **If you get In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)**, contact your social worker to find out if you can get more IHSS hours.
- **If you are in the Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP)**, contact your caseworker for help.
- **If you are a client of a Regional Center**, contact your service coordinator for assistance.

What are my health plan choices?

Please use the Medi-Cal choice form in your "My Medi-Cal Choice for Healthy Care" booklet to choose a health plan. If you would like more information or have questions about the health plans, see the "Medi-Cal Managed Care Comparison Chart" inside your booklet. You can also talk to your doctors about which health plan may be best for you.