

**Department of Health Care Services
Eliminate ADHC Services under Medi-Cal**

Summary: The State is experiencing an increasingly severe financial crisis. As a result, the Department of Health Care Services must make difficult decisions in order to decrease Medi-Cal expenditures. These decisions are made in an effort to result in the least amount of impact on medically necessary services. This proposal will eliminate Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) as an optional benefit within the Medi-Cal fee-for-service program and the benefit will not be available in any facility type, including Federally Qualified Health Centers.

Section 14131.11 is added to the Welfare and Institutions Code as follows:

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law relating to the Medi-Cal program or to adult day health care, in order to implement changes in the level of funding for health care services, adult day health care is excluded from coverage under the Medi-Cal program.

(b) This section shall only be implemented to the extent permitted by federal law.

(c) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, the department may implement the provisions of this section by means of all-county letters, provider bulletins, or similar instructions, without taking further regulatory action.

(d) This section shall be implemented on the first day of the month following 90 days after the operative date of this section.