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Sevet Johnson, PsyD Behavioral Health Director
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Dear Dr. Johnson:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) determined Ventura County Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Plan's Alternative Access Standards (AAS) Request is approved. Ventura County DMC-ODS Plan was approved for the following areas:

- Time and Distance: Adult Opioid Treatment Services- 93225
- Time and Distance: Child/Youth Opioid Treatment Services- 93225
- Time and Distance: Adult Outpatient Services- 93225
- Time and Distance: Child/Youth Outpatient Services- 93225

DHCS noticed a high number of eligibles in the deficient zip code(s). DHCS suggests Ventura DMC-ODS continue efforts to contract with providers due to quality of care concerns.

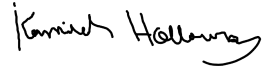
Upon this notification from DHCS, Ventura County DMC-ODS Plan's approved AAS request will be valid for State Fiscal Year 2020-2021. DHCS will monitor beneficiary access to the service type covered by the alternative access standard on an on-going basis and report DHCS's findings to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. DHCS will post Ventura County DMC-ODS Plan's approved alternative access standards on its website.

DMC-ODS's that receive AAS approvals from DHCS must inform their affected beneficiaries of all approved AAS through the DMC-ODS's Beneficiaries Handbook and post all approved AAS, specified by county, on the DMC-ODS's internet website. Each

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DMC-ODS must post the approved AAS on its website no later than 30 days after DHCS publishes the statewide AAS approvals on the DHCS website.

Please contact ODSSubmissions@dhcs.ca.gov if you have any questions about this notice.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kamilah Holloway". The signature is written in a cursive style with a loop at the end of the last name.

Sincerely,

Kamilah Holloway, Chief
Quality and Network Adequacy Oversight Branch
Medi-Cal Behavioral Health Division
Department of Health Care Services