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SUBJECT: DHCS IN 20-006 Released in February 2020

DHCS IN 20-006 announced the release of the 2020 Revised AOD Certification Guidelines. The Information Notice emphasizes 5 major points:

- The implementation of Senate Bill 1228 which prohibits remuneration for referrals into treatment;
- Provides clarification regarding Incidental Medical Services (IMS) approved facilities versus those residential facilities that are licensed but not IMS certified and client access to MAT medications;
- Removes the maximum number of counseling hours for intensive outpatient services;
- Specifies that “client’s rights” must include the right to take medications prescribed by a licensed clinician for physical, mental health, and/or substance use conditions; and,
- Requires training for staff on the fundamentals of MAT.

Please thoroughly review the IN which is attached. If you have any questions, please contact tammy.ramsey@hhs.sccgov.org and tianna.nelson@hhs.sccgov.org.