

**Provider Meeting
July 1, 2009**

Highlights

State Budget

Asked providers that bill for Drug Medi-Cal, to not bill until the correct rate has been given once budget passes. If wrong rate is used, providers will not be reimbursed for old rate or if higher rate used could be a disallowance audit.

Prop. 36

Asked for providers to continue services of current clients and will not be accepting new clients until State budget is passed. Hoping the State will keep 65% of funding in place when budget passes. If State terminates funding for Prop. 36, then all contracts will be terminated and will look at a fee for service.

Outcomes – Gold Standard

Studies have shown that ninety days or less for services to clients has shown to be less effective for treatment. Will be expecting a 120 day retention for services which include a warm hand off from residential to outpatient services. Will be looking at client retention with providers which could affect future contracts. We will be submitting a Board Briefing Report to Board of Supervisors on this standard.

Automated Billing

Automated billing will begin August 1st. Providers will no longer be required to submit activity reports with the new billing system. A follow-up training will take place on July 15th at the same location.