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Section 51000.51@ Provisional Provider and Preferred Provisional Provider Status

## **51000.51 Provisional Provider and Preferred Provisional Provider Status**

### **(a)**

The Department shall grant provisional provider status for a period of 12 months, or preferred provisional status for a period of 18 months, subject to the provisions of Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 14043.26 through 14043.29, when: (1) An application for enrollment of a new provider is approved. (2) An application for continued enrollment of a provider is approved. (3) An application for enrollment of an additional location, or change of location for a provider is approved. (4) An application for any change pursuant to Section 51000.30(b) is approved. (5) The Department fails to take any action listed in Section 51000.50(e) within 180 days after receiving an application package. The applicant or provider shall be granted provisional provider status, effective on the 181st day.

### **(1)**

An application for enrollment of a new provider is approved.

### **(2)**

An application for continued enrollment of a provider is approved.

### **(3)**

An application for enrollment of an additional location, or change of location for a provider is approved.

### **(4)**

An application for any change pursuant to Section 51000.30(b) is approved.

**(5)**

The Department fails to take any action listed in Section 51000.50(e) within 180 days after receiving an application package. The applicant or provider shall be granted provisional provider status, effective on the 181st day.

**(b)**

When a provider currently enrolled in the Medi-Cal program at one or more locations, who has submitted an application package for enrollment at an additional or change in location, begins billing for services provided at an additional or change of location, using their existing provider number, the provider shall be considered to be on provisional provider status. If the provider is subject to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14043.47(c), the provider shall submit documentation in the application package that identifies the physician providing services at every three locations.

**(c)**

Provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status shall be terminated, by the Department, pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14043.27(c)(1) - (12), regardless of whether the period of time for which the provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status was granted has elapsed.

**(d)**

Termination of provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status, by the Department, shall include deactivation of all provider numbers used by the provider at any location, to obtain reimbursement from the Medi-Cal program, except where the termination is based upon a ground related solely to a specific location.