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Greetings from L.A. Care,

We hope you are doing well as we close out 2017. As you may be aware, California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will be discontinuing the use of the “PM 160 – Information ONLY” form for data capture as of January 1, 2018. This follows the cessation of the PM 160 as a claim form in July of 2017.

L.A. Care will continue to accept the PM 160 forms through the HEDIS Data collection season, or through May, 2018 for 2017 dates of service. Please continue to send your PM 160 Information forms to L.A. Care Claims and we will continue to process and use the data for HEDIS rates.

We would like to remind you that you may submit data through “Direct” or Supplemental data submissions as per guidelines communicated in November 2017. Memo and file formats are located on the HEDIS Resource page at <http://www.lacare.org/providers/provider-resources/hedis-resources>. If you are not enrolled, we strongly encourage you to participate in the CAIR 2 registry at <http://cairweb.org/cair-2-project/>. Once registered, please verify that your data is being sent to CAIR 2. L.A. Care receives monthly data exports from this source, which is also incorporated into HEDIS rates. Your participation allows L.A. Care to close gaps on immunization data.

Finally, we want to inform you that L.A. Care will implement an online portal for supplemental data submissions early in 2018. Please remain attentive to any communication and training pertaining to this process.

We look forward to excellent data capture of your great clinical care during this HEDIS season.

Please contact us at HEDISOps@lacare.org or call us at (213) 694-1250 x4162, if you have questions related to the discontinuation of “PM 160 – Information ONLY” form.

Thank you,

L.A. Care HEDIS Team