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**TO:** General Acute Care Hospitals (GACHs)

**SUBJECT:** Request for Stakeholder Input in Amending GACH License, Supplemental Service Approval, and Special Permit Regulations

**All Facilities Letter (AFL) Summary**

The California Department of Public Health's Center for Health Care Quality (CHCQ) is seeking input from interested stakeholders in amending GACH license, supplemental service approval, and special permit regulations under California Code of Regulations, Title 22, sections 70101 through 70137, 70301 through 70309, and 70351 through 70369.

CHCQ is seeking input from interested stakeholders as part of the regulation development process to ensure proposed regulations are consistent with other laws and regulations, modern hospital practices, and other relevant standards. CHCQ has begun the process of revising regulations governing GACHs under California Code of Regulations, Title 22. These GACH regulations include the following sections:

- section 70101 Inspection of Hospitals
- section 70103 License Required
- section 70105 Application Required
- section 70107 Content of Application
- section 70109 Architectural Plans
- section 70110 Fee
- section 70115 Safety, Zoning and Building Clearance
- section 70117 Issuance, Expiration and Renewal
- section 70119 Provisional Licensing of Distinct Parts
- section 70121 Separate Licenses
- section 70123 Posting
- section 70125 Transferability
- section 70127 Report of Changes
- section 70129 Program Flexibility
- section 70131 Voluntary Suspension of License or Licensed Beds
- section 70133 Voluntary Cancellation of License
- section 70135 Revocation or Involuntary Suspension of License
- section 70136 Conviction of Crime: Standards for Evaluating Rehabilitation
- section 70137 Bonds
- section 70301 Supplemental Service Approval Required
- section 70303 Application
- section 70305 Issuance, Expiration and Renewal

- section 70307 Program Flexibility
- section 70309 Revocation or Involuntary Suspension of Approval
- section 70351 Special Permit Required
- section 70353 Application
- section 70357 Issuance, Expiration and Renewal
- section 70359 Posting
- section 70361 Transferability
- section 70363 Program Flexibility
- section 70365 Voluntary Suspension of Special Permit
- section 70367 Voluntary Cancellation of Special Permit
- section 70369 Revocation or Involuntary Suspension of Special Permit

### **Instructions for Submitting Written Comments**

Please submit your written comments by **August 31, 2018** using the Written Comments for License, Supplemental Service Approval, and Special Permit Regulations Survey. Stakeholders may submit supporting documentation as attachments at the end of this survey. Please include your name, title, the name of organization you represent, and AFL number to any attachment(s).

Please submit your questions by email to [CHCQRegulationsUnit@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:CHCQRegulationsUnit@cdph.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

**Original signed by Scott Vivona**

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Attachment: Written Comments for License, Supplemental Service Approval, and Special Permit Regulations Survey

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