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**TO:** CFHHS Members

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**FROM:** Alexis Sandru

Committee Attorney

**RE:** Options for Action

MAR Notices 37-788, 37-801, 37-802, and 37-805

**DATE:** October 30, 2017

On November 8, 2017, at 1 p.m., CFHHS will convene a conference call to address how the Committee wants to proceed with its objection to MAR notice numbers 37-788, 37-801, 37-802, and 37-805. In September, the Committee voted to sustain its informal objection to the proposed rules and requested that I draft a formal objection letter for the Committee's consideration.

In considering the formal objection letter, the Committee has the following options:

- (1) Approve the letter as drafted or with revisions, which will delay the effective date of the proposed rules until the end of the next **regular** legislative session unless the Committee withdraws the formal objection or unless the Department of Public Health and Human Services makes changes to the proposed rules that, in the opinion of a majority of the Committee members, makes the proposed rules comply with the Committee's objection; or
- (2) Take no action.
- \*\*If the Committee takes no action on the formal objection letter, the Committee needs to consider the pending informal objection. Options include:
- (1) *Take no action*, which would end the objection and would allow the Department to adopt the rules upon adjournment of the conference call; or
- (2) *Vote to sustain the informal objection until the Committee's next meeting*, which would extend the objection until November 17, 2017. At that meeting, the Committee would have to again decide whether to continue the objection.