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PIN 18-10-CCLD

TO: ALL COMMUNITY CARE LICENSED PROVIDERS

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SUBJECT: **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR RED FLAG FIRE WARNINGS AND SHUTTING OFF POWER FOR SAFETY**

**Provider Information Notice (PIN) Summary**

PIN 18-10-CCLD is a follow up to [PIN 18-09.1-CCLD](#), which provided information to providers regarding red flag fire warnings and shutting off power for safety throughout California. This PIN provides information to providers regarding voluntary and mandatory reporting requirements related to these events.

California continues to face the possibility of “[Red Flag Fire Warnings](#)”, which is the highest fire alert due to critical weather and dry conditions. During these alerts, power companies may temporarily turn off power for public safety in various regions throughout the state due to wind and high fire hazard.

Public safety power shutoffs may be necessary to help reduce risk of wildfire and to keep customers, homes, and businesses safe. These outages are a preemptive firefighting strategy to reduce wildfire risks more aggressively.

**In a worst case scenario, power could be off for up to five days to allow time to check the system for safety and restart it.**

### **Voluntary Reporting Requirements to Power Companies**

The Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD) has been advised that some power companies are asking customers to ensure their contact information is updated with the power company. Providers should update their telephone numbers and contact information with their power companies so they can be notified when electricity must be turned off for public safety.

Power companies may be able to provide advance notice before electricity is turned off for public safety. Such notice may be provided by phone call, e-mail, or text message, which may assist providers in preparing for a public safety power shutoff. The same notifications may be provided for updates during, and when power is restored after, a public safety power outage

The California Energy Commission provides a list of power companies, which they call "[Electric Load-Serving Entities \(LSEs\) in California](#)", and contact information for those power companies on its website.

### **Mandatory Reporting Requirements to CCLD**

CCLD reminds providers that they are required to meet reporting requirements as specified in the California Code of Regulations, Title 22, when any of the specified events occur in their facilities. Any emergency-related injuries, illnesses, or deaths must be reported to CCLD.

If you have any questions regarding this PIN, have other questions or need assistance, please contact your local licensing regional office.