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**Re: Suspension of the 2020 Audit Cycle – SFDPH BHS Compliance**

Dear Providers,

Thank you all for your ongoing efforts during this global pandemic. These are challenging times for all of us and I hope that you are all healthy and safe.

While the COVID-19 emergency continues, the San Francisco Department of Public Health's Behavioral Health Compliance Division will postpone its 2020 audit cycle until further notice.

CMS and DHCS are issuing numerous waivers to certain regulatory requirements during the COVID-19 emergency. The BHS Compliance team is here to help provide guidance to how those waivers apply and how to document services during this time.

Please contact us with any questions you may have regarding compliance with documentation standards during the COVID-19 emergency. Thank you again for the ongoing support you provide to the San Francisco community during this uncertain and anxious time for our clients.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Garrett Chatfield".

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