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PIN 17-10-ASC

TO: ADULT AND SENIOR CARE FACILITY LICENSEES

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SUBJECT: **PREVENTING HEPATITIS A IN YOUR FACILITIES**

Provider Information Notice (PIN) Summary

PIN 17-10-ASC provides guidance to adult and senior care facility licensees regarding the recent hepatitis A virus outbreaks in California.

The California Department of Public Health has released guidelines for [Preventing Hepatitis A In Your Facilities](#). These guidelines contain information regarding where the outbreaks of hepatitis A virus are occurring; how the virus spreads; how to assess clients, residents and staff for signs of the infection; to report clients, residents or staff with suspected hepatitis A infections immediately to your [local health department](#); making arrangements for hepatitis A vaccinations; and how to prevent and control the outbreaks.

These outbreaks have been primarily in [San Diego County](#), [Santa Cruz County](#) and [Los Angeles County](#), but have the potential to spread throughout California. The outbreaks include many cases of the disease, hospitalizations as well as deaths.

If there is a discovery of a hepatitis A virus diagnosis, the licensee is required to submit an Unusual Incident/Injury Report (you may utilize [LIC 624](#) form to do so) to the Community Care Licensing Division.

If you have any questions, please contact your local Regional Office.