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TO: ALL SKILLED NURSING FACILITY AND
INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITY ADMINISTRATORS

SUBJECT: COURT ORDER AND THE STANDARD ADMISSION AGREEMENT

As a result of the court order issued August 10, 2006, in *Parkside Special Care Center, Inc. et al v. Sandra Shewry, Director of the California Department of Health Services, et al.*, the use of the required Standard Admission Agreement for skilled nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities will be suspended until Sections 72516 and 73518 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations that adopted the Standard Admission Agreement are revised to conform to the court order. Consequently, facilities may use any admission agreement that conforms to the appropriate state statutes. Licensing and Certification will not enforce sections 72516 and 73518 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations that require the use of the Standard Admission Agreement until those regulations are amended and revised to conform to the court order. A copy of the court order is enclosed.

All requests for alteration of the Standard Admission Agreement will be returned to the facility without further action by Licensing and Certification.

All district offices by a separate letter are being instructed to refrain from enforcing the Standard Admission Agreement regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact Eric Wiesenthal, Licensing and Certification Program, Policy Section at (916) 552-8762.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Gina Henning

Gina Henning, Acting Chief
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Enclosure