



**MSSP SITE ASSOCIATION**  
**Direct Cost Impacts of Proposed Program Elimination**  
**January 2011**

State & Federal Cost Per Patient*	CA General Fund*	EXPLANATION
\$19,557	<b>\$9,779</b>	MSSP Waiver Program Total - includes all ancillary Medi-Cal costs
\$36,941	<b>\$18,471</b>	Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Total - includes all ancillary Medi-Cal costs
\$17,384	<b>\$8,692</b>	Annual Cost Savings per Patient for MSSP v. SNF

**\$19.9 million**

Current Budget to Serve 12,600 MSSP patients statewide\*\*

**42%**

Estimated *percentage* of MSSP patients statewide to be admitted to SNF within 30 days\*\*\*

**5,292**

Estimated *number* of MSSP patients admitted to SNF within 30 days

**\$45,998,064**

Estimated Total Annual Cost INCREASE to California taxpayers for MSSP elimination within 30 days

**72%**

Estimated *percentage* of MSSP patients statewide to be admitted to SNF within 180 days\*\*\*\*

**9,072**

Estimated *number* of MSSP patients admitted to SNF within 180 days

**\$78,853,824**

Estimated Total Annual Direct Cost INCREASE to California taxpayers for MSSP elimination within 180 days

**Employment Impact\*\*\*\*\***

**497**

Total MSSP Staff (program sites only) projected to lose jobs due to program elimination

**\$450**

California's average weekly unemployment benefit

**\$5,367,600**

Estimated Cost of 6-months Unemployment Benefits for laid off MSSP staff

**SOURCES:**

\*CMS-372, Annual Report on Home and Community-Based Waivers (FY2008-09). This report compares annual average per capita Medicaid costs for HCBS for individuals in the waiver program with costs for institutionalized persons at the same level of care.

\*\* Total number of MSSP patients according to California Department of Aging, Amount per Governor Brown's proposed budget, 1/10/11

\*\*\* Data based on survey of MSSP sites statewide, January 2011 (37/40 sites responded). This does NOT include additional anticipated costs for higher levels of care (emergency and acute care hospital services) rendered to MSSP patients prior to SNF placement. Program elimination has not been tested in California

\*\*\*\*The remaining patients not placed immediately are at risk of (1) SNF placement within 30-180 days or (2) Entering the Adult Protective Services system and likely SNF placement thereafter due to family caregiver neglect from inability to fully manage care needs, or self-neglect if no family.

\*\*\*\*\*Based on statewide survey of MSSP sites, January 2011.