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TO: ALL NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHILDREN SERVICES (CCS) COUNTY PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS, MEDICAL CONSULTANTS, COUNTY MEDICAL STAFF, AND SYSTEMS OF CARE DIVISION (SCD) STAFF

SUBJECT: NORTHERN CALIFORNIA TELE-AUDIOLOGY PROGRAM

In an effort to provide increased access to diagnostic audiological evaluations for families in rural areas of Northern California, the Department of Health Care Services, Systems of Care Division, Statewide Programs Section, Hearing and Audiology Services Unit, in conjunction with UC Davis Tele-Health Program, will be offering diagnostic evaluations through the Tele-Audiology Program.

Eligible families will be identified through the Northern California Hearing Coordination Center (HCC). Families will be contacted and asked if they would like to voluntarily participate in diagnostic evaluations through the Tele-Audiology Program. The HCC will track the process and work with the families and primary providers to ensure they receive all services.

Please continue to authorize requested California Newborn Hearing Screening Program Diagnostic services as appropriate. This will ensure that the families are able to access necessary audiology services in a timely manner.

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Sincerely,

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