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CHDP Provider Information Notice No.: 11-12

TO: ALL CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP) PROGRAM PROVIDERS AND MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE PLANS

SUBJECT: CHDP HEALTH ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES (HAG) REVISIONS: SECTION 21, PERIODICITY

The purpose of this CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 11-12 is to inform CHDP providers of the revised CHDP Periodicity Schedule for Health Assessment Requirements.

There are two revisions to the health assessment periodicity schedule, which were made based on comments from the CHDP provider community and from new practice guidelines. One revision is a clarification of the age and interval at which health assessments should be performed. There is also a revision to the guideline on performance of cervical cancer screening, based on guidelines released by the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ACOG) in November, 2009. ACOG issued this guideline because invasive cervical cancers are very rare prior to 21 years of age, and the vast majority of identified lesions resolve without treatment. In addition, cervical cytology testing and excision of cervical dysplasia can have emotional, economic, and future childbearing implications. Children’s Medical Services encourages you to review the updated section in its entirety. The revised section and appendices can be downloaded from the following link: http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp/Pages/Pub156.aspx
We hope this updated information will assist you in providing health assessments according to the recommended schedule. If you have any questions, please contact your local CHDP Program.

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Enclosure