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TO:  ALL CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP) PROGRAM DIRECTORS, DEPUTY DIRECTORS, NUTRITIONISTS, HEALTH EDUCATORS, STATE CHILDREN’S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS) BRANCH STAFF AND REGIONAL OFFICE STAFF

SUBJECT:  BODY MASS INDEX (BMI)-FOR-AGE PERCENTILE JOB AID

Enclosed is CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No.: 08-02 offering CHDP Providers a Body Mass Index (BMI)-for-age percentile job aid. CHDP requires providers to obtain and record BMI-for-age percentile on all children 2 to 20 years of age. This job aid explains and illustrates steps for obtaining BMI-for-age percentile. Please encourage provider offices to post page two of the job aid because it serves as a visual illustration of the steps for obtaining BMI-for-age percentile.

Please distribute this Provider Information Notice without any revisions to providers in your county and complete and return a “Report of Distribution” (DHS 4504). The DHS 4504 can be found at www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp/.

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Consultant staff.

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Enclosure