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CHDP Program Letter No.: 08-25

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

SUBJECT:  ADDITION OF PENTAVALENT COMBINATION VACCINE (PENTACEL™) CODE 82 AS A CHDP BENEFIT AND UPDATED CHDP VACCINE BENEFIT AND REIMBURSEMENT TABLE

Enclosed is CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No.: 08-25 informing CHDP Providers of the addition of Vaccines for Children (VFC) pentavalent combination vaccine: diphtheria and tetanus toxoids, acellular pertussis, Haemophilus influenza type b, and Inactivated Poliovirus (DTaP-Hib-IPV) vaccine (Pentacel™) as a CHDP benefit effective August 15, 2008. Billing and reimbursement information, a VFC Provider Letter with information on the vaccine, a document on Pentacel™ guidance, a VFC order form, and an updated CHDP vaccine benefit and reimbursement table are provided.

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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Enclosures