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To: ALL COUNTY CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES (CCS)
ADMINISTRATORS, MEDICAL CONSULTANTS, SUPERVISING
THERAPISTS, AND STATE CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS)
BRANCH STAFF

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES
NETWORK (CMS NET) ENHANCEMENT 47 (E 47) PROJECT

The CMS Net E 47 Project will be implemented on July 1, 2004. Authorizations for services issued prior to July 1, will remain in effect for the period of the authorization. Claims for services provided pursuant to these authorizations will continue to be submitted through county CCS programs or CMS Branch Regional Offices in accordance with existing processes for approval and forwarding to EDS.

Some hospitals and medical groups have identified internal systems constraints, which may temporarily preclude their participation in the new authorization and claiming system on July 1, 2004. Therefore, the legacy paper authorization system, which is currently in use in all CMS Net counties, will continue to operate in parallel with the new system for a limited period. Providers that have concerns about their ability to utilize the new Service Authorization Request (SAR) can be issued authorizations in the legacy system for service dates after July 1, 2004. This will provide a transition period to enable providers to make internal system changes to conform to the requirements of the new system. CCS will be working closely with providers to evaluate their readiness to utilize the new system. A CCS Numbered Letter will be issued to provide counties with the procedures for managing these parallel systems.

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We will keep you advised of this effort and will continue to provide information and training to county CCS programs on the operation of the dual systems, including advice on the duration of the transition period. If you have any questions, please contact your CCS Administrative consultant.

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