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

SUBJECT: THE CCS PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION OF PHYSICIAN SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH A DRG INPATIENT EPISODE FOR A MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARY WHO IS ENROLLED IN A MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE PLAN WITH CARVED OUT CCS PROGRAM SERVICES

The purpose of this CCS information notice is to promulgate policy on the CCS Program authorization of physician services associated with a Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) inpatient episode for a beneficiary who is enrolled in a Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan (MCP) with a CCS Program carve-out.

When a Medi-Cal beneficiary under the age of twenty-one years who is an enrollee in a Medi-Cal MCP with carved-out CCS Program services develops a CCS Program eligible condition, as determined by the CCS Program, during an inpatient stay at a hospital participating in DRG inpatient reimbursement, the CCS Program will authorize the entire stay for the beneficiary from the date of hospital admission. The entire inpatient stay will be reimbursed by fee-for-service Medi-Cal on a DRG basis. Effective the date of this CCS Information Notice, physician services associated with such an inpatient stay will also be authorized by the CCS Program from the date of hospital admission and will be reimbursed by fee-for-service Medi-Cal on a per diem basis.

**References**

- (a) This Computes Information Bulletin #424
- (b) This Computes Information Bulletin #426
- (c) This Computes Information Bulletin #430
- (d) This Computes Information Bulletin #431
- (e) CCS Information Notice 13-06
- (f) Medi-Cal Managed Care Division All Plan Letter 13-012

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Sincerely,

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