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

SUBJECT: CHDP HEALTH ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES (HAG) REVISION:
SECTION 21—PERIODICITY SCHEDULE FOR HEALTH ASSESSMENT

Enclosed is CHDP Provider Information Notice No. 11-12 regarding the distribution of section 21, Periodicity Schedule for Health Assessment. The manual is currently under revision and will be available online in its entirety upon completion.

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.

Please distribute this Provider Information Notice without any revisions to providers in your county and complete and retain a copy of the "Report of Distribution" (DHCS 4504). The DHCS 4504 can be found at <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/forms/Forms/ChildMedSvcForms/dhcs4504.pdf>.

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

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