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TO: CHDP Providers

FROM: Joseph Duke, M.D., Director  
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SUBJECT: **CHDP PROVIDER UPDATE # 05:11**

**I. CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 11-10**

CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 11-10 concerns the distribution of section 21, Periodicity Schedule for Dental Health Assessment. The schedule has changed substantially and changes are described in the CHDP PIN No. 11-10. Children's Medical Services encourages providers to review the updated section in its entirety. The manual is currently under revision and will be available online in its entirety upon completion. The revised Section 21 can be downloaded from the following link: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp/Pages/Pub156.aspx>

**II. CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 11-11**

CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 11-11 includes a revision of the Vision Screening Health Assessment Guideline (HAG), developed with input from stakeholders and the CHDP Vision Screening Subcommittee. Compared to the 2002 guideline, the revised Vision Screening HAG includes additional criteria for referral, including recommendations for follow up of preterm infants, revised recommendations for vision screening charts and additional vision screening resources. The revised section and tables may be downloaded from the following link: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp/Pages/Pub156.aspx>

### **III. Update: Revised Audiometric Screening Training (AST) Procedure**

Children's Medical Services (CMS) State Branch requires all CHDP providers to utilize staff who are certified in the Play Audiometry method for the hearing screenings of specific age groups. The Los Angeles County CHDP Program conducts monthly audiometric screening trainings (AST), which incorporate this method. All provider staff who conduct CHDP hearing screenings must obtain CHDP-approved certification. (Note: If your staff has not yet attended, please register as soon as possible.) AST registration and training instructions have been revised, as follows:

- To enroll in a training, print, complete and fax the registration form on the CHDP website under "CHDP Provider Trainings" at: [www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/cms/CHDP.htm](http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/cms/CHDP.htm)
- Additional materials required for the training (Syllabus, Pre-test, and Steps of Play Audiometry) are available at the CHDP website above
- Print and read the required training materials from the website prior to the training
- Bring all materials to the training along with a calibrated audiometer for the afternoon practicum session. Participants must pass the afternoon demonstration to earn certification
- Once certified, provider staff are required to use this method to conduct a screening by using the blocks and baskets for appropriate age groups
- A new audiogram must be documented for every scheduled CHDP Periodicity Examination from 3 years of age and older
- The AST certificate must be renewed every four years

### **IV. Electronic Provider Update Procedure**

In 2012, the Los Angeles County CHDP Program will transition to an electronic provider update procedure. Los Angeles County CHDP Provider Updates and state-generated Provider Information Notices (PIN) will be available under the heading, "Provider Updates", which will be listed on the local CHDP website ([www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/cms/CHDP.htm](http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/cms/CHDP.htm) )

During the first two months of 2012, providers can enter and submit **site-specific** (an e-mail address for the provider site) electronic contact information on a form which can be accessed through a hyperlink on the local CHDP website. To access the form, go to: [www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/cms/CHDP.htm](http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/cms/CHDP.htm) , then click on the underlined link "site contact information" under the title "What's New" in the center column of the website page. After completing the form, click on "submit" at the bottom of the form.

The new procedure will be tested in March 2012; providers will be notified at that time of the effective transition date to electronic distribution only.

**V. Annual Notice: Provider Changes**

Los Angeles County CHDP Providers are required to report any changes in provider information to the local program. Changes must be in writing and submitted within 30 calendar days.

Please share the information in this Provider Update with your staff. Provider Information Notices are available on the web site at <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp>  
If you have any questions about this Provider Update, please contact your Regional Office.

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