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TO: CHDP Providers
FROM: Joseph Duke, M.D., Director
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SUBJECT: **CHDP PROVIDER UPDATE #01-13**

I. CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 12-08

CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 12-08 concerns the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommendations and resources for use of the World Health Organization (WHO) growth charts for children from birth to 24 months of age as well as changes in the California Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program to transition to the new growth charts.

In conformance with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requirements, local WIC programs began implementation of the WHO growth standards in growth chart data information systems and nutrition education services on October 1, 2012. CHDP providers are requested to initiate use of the WHO growth charts at this time. By November 30, 2013, all CHDP providers must integrate use of the WHO growth charts for CHDP examinations.

Please note that use of the WHO growth charts for infants and children up to 24 months will require training of health-care providers and others who measure and assess child growth. A state-approved training, offered by the Los Angeles County (LAC) CHDP program, focuses on interpreting growth using the WHO growth charts, and understanding the differences between the CDC and WHO growth charts. WHO Growth Chart Training registration forms are available on the LAC CHDP website at: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/cms/CHDP.htm>.

II. Notification: Revision of Facility Review & Medical Record Audit Tools

The CHDP Facility Review Tool (DHCS 4493) and the Medical Record Review Tool (DHCS 4492) are utilized by the local CHDP program staff to perform an on-site review of an applicant or enrolled provider's service site(s) to assure that a minimum standard is maintained in the delivery of quality care. All CHDP service sites are required to have an initial site inspection completed by the local CHDP program and may have subsequent periodic site inspections. Both revised and approved tools will be utilized during site reviews and are posted on the California Children's Medical Services website on the Publications list.

III. Resource: Weight Management Research Study

Children's Hospital of Los Angeles is conducting a weight management research study for children between three and sixteen years old. For more information about this weekly six-session course, contact Marisa Cohen at (323) 361-3174 or macohen@chla.usc.edu

Please share the information in this Provider Update with your staff. Provider Information Notices can be found on the website at: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp>.

If you have any questions about this Provider Update, please contact your Regional Office.