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TO: CHDP Providers
FROM: Joseph Duke, M.D., Director
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SUBJECT: **CHDP PROVIDER UPDATE #05-12**

I. CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 12-02

CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 12-02 provides information to CHDP Providers about the recommendation by Vaccines for Children (VFC) for routine use of quadrivalent human papillomavirus vaccine (HPV4) for males as well as females. The new PIN can be found on the website at:

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp>

II. CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 12-03

CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 12-03 provides information to CHDP Providers about a revision to the CHDP Health Assessment Guide (HAG) section 56. The new PIN can be found on the website at:

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp>

III. CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 12-04

CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) No. 12-04 provides information to CHDP Providers about the recommendation to administer a supplemental dose of PCV13 (CHDP service code 88) to protect against serotypes not covered by the 4 doses of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine 7 (PV7) administered to children. The new PIN can be found on the website at:

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp>

IV. Notice: Updated Pediatric TB Risk Assessment Questionnaire

The Los Angeles County (LAC) Department of Public Health (DPH) policy, effective July 1, 2012, that changed universal TB testing at school entrance to universal TB screening with targeted testing correlates with CHDP Health Assessment Guideline (HAG) Section 73. Section 73 was distributed to CHDP Providers in CHDP PIN No.: 11-04, which superceded CHDP PIN No.: 10-05.

The Los Angeles County Tuberculosis (TB) Control Program has revised the TB Risk Assessment Questionnaire (RAQ) which can be found on the website at: <http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/tb/>

For additional information or questions about the revised RAQ, contact:
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V. Notice: Health Assessment Provider Application (DHCS 4490) Question 18

The 2003 CHDP Provider Manual states that providers are responsible for assuring the availability of medical services after usual and customary hours (Provider Responsibilities: Health Assessments, page 2). To assure minimal compliance with this expectation, provider-owners must indicate a process in question 18 of the Health Assessment Provider Application (DHCS 4490) for connecting patient calls to on-call services and a reasonable time-frame for provider response.

For non-emergency conditions, patients may be instructed to leave a message at the office's number, which will be automatically be routed to an answering service or on-call clinician; to call an answering service or after-hours number at a different number; or to go to a specific after-hours or urgent care clinic. CHDP providers should describe the after-hours process and time-frame for provider response when completing question 18 on the DHCS 4490.

VI. Notice: Electronic Provider Updates

If your site's e-mail address changes, please notify the CHDP PHN assigned to your site. Also, please add "CHDP News" e-mail to your address book.

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.