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TO: CHDP Providers

FROM: Alan Tomines, M.D., Director  
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SUBJECT: **CHDP PROVIDER UPDATE #01:17**

I. Zika Virus: Measuring Infant Head Circumference

As a valued partner in the Zika response, the CDC website includes an instructional video for healthcare providers of the recommended techniques for accurately measuring and recording infant head circumference and length. *Measuring Infant Head Circumference* highlights the importance of a consistent method for measuring infant head circumference, to accurately identify if an infant has microcephaly. This is especially important in the midst of the Zika outbreak because correctly identifying infants who may have Zika-associated microcephaly can help health authorities connect them to the services they need.

The video is available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#), and can be found on these CDC webpages, in addition to YouTube:

- [Zika Training for Healthcare Providers](#)
- [Zika Virus Infection and Microcephaly](#)

For additional information on caring for infants with possible congenital Zika virus infection, visit the [clinical guidance](#) section of CDC's Zika website.

II. California Children's Services (CCS)

CCS is California's Title V program for children with special health care needs. The Los Angeles County CCS Program provides case management and medical benefits for over 48,000 infants, children, and youth (up to age 21) who meet all the necessary eligibility criteria.

A critical requirement of the program is that care be delivered by physicians who are **board certified in pediatrics, family practice, internal medicine and/or a pediatric subspecialty**. Once approved or “paneled” by the CCS program, these physicians can receive authorizations and enhanced reimbursement for the care they provide these children, particularly for primary care directed at the medically eligible condition.

For additional information about the Los Angeles County CCS program, please go to <http://lapublichealth.org/cms/CCS.htm>.

As many CHDP clients have CCS-eligible conditions, all board certified or board eligible CHDP physicians are strongly encouraged to apply for CCS paneling through a simple online application process. The online application can be accessed at <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/ccs/Pages/ProviderEnroll.aspx>.

For questions or additional information, please contact Dr. Mary Doyle, Associate Medical Director of Los Angeles County CCS, at (626) 569-6484.

### III. CDPH Launches Newborn Screening for ALD

On September 21, 2016, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) announced its Genetic Disease Screening Program (GDSP) will now screen babies for adrenoleukodystrophy (ALD). CDPH will retroactively screen newborn blood samples that were received by the laboratory on or after February 16, 2016. The Department estimates that up to 100 California babies each year will be referred for follow-up services based on screening results.

For more information, visit the [California Newborn Screening](#) Program’s website.

### IV. New Meningococcal Vaccine recommendations

Since March 2016, 24 confirmed cases of serogroup C meningococcal disease, including two fatal cases, have been reported among residents of Los Angeles and Orange Counties and the City of Long Beach. The California Department of Public Health released a Clinician Health Advisory about new recommendations to help contain the outbreak of meningococcal disease in Southern California. Click [here](#) for more information.

### V. California Car Seat Law Changes

Effective January 1, 2017, children under 2 years old must be rear facing unless they weigh 40 pounds or more, or are 40 inches tall or more. Click [here](#) for details on California child vehicle safety laws.

## VI. Help Prevent Tooth Decay

CHDP Providers are an important gateway to dental resources for many children. Please make the following CHDP guidelines and resources part of your routine practice.

- Perform a dental screening/oral assessment at every CHDP health assessment
- Per [CHDP PIN 16-09](#), please refer children directly to a dentist as follows:
  - Beginning at age one as required by California Health and Safety Code Section 124040 (6)(D)
  - At any age if a problem is suspected or detected – See CHDP Dental Referral Classifications
  - Every six (6) months for maintenance of oral health
  - Every three (3) months for children with documented special health care needs when medical or oral condition can be affected; and for other children at high risk for dental caries.
- CHDP Dental Providers are available countywide ([CHDP Dental Search](#))
- Apply fluoride varnish 2-3 times a year ([CHDP Provider Information Notice No.: 06-08](#))
- Receive provider fluoride varnish training ([Self-study](#) or email [chdpnews@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:chdpnews@ph.lacounty.gov))
- Provide families with oral health educational materials
  - Caring for Your Child's Teeth and Gums ([English](#), [Spanish](#))
  - Every Child Needs a Dental Home ([English](#), [Spanish](#), [Chinese](#))
  - Fluoride Varnish Helps Smiles Stay Strong ([English](#), [Spanish](#), [Chinese](#), [Korean](#))
  - Prevent Tooth Decay in Babies and Toddlers ([English](#), [Spanish](#), [Chinese](#), [Korean](#))

## VII. Identification of Developmental Delay

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommends surveillance for children at risk for developmental delay at every well-child preventive care visit. The AAP recommends screening with a standardized tool during well-child visits at 9, 18, and then at 24 or 30 months, as well as when identifying or refining issues of concern at any age. Additionally, autism-specific screening is recommended for all children at the 18 and 24 month visits.

- [AAP Bright Futures Developmental, Behavioral, Psychosocial, Screening and Assessment Forms](#)
- For more information on reimbursement for developmental screening, click [here](#).

## VIII. Upcoming AAP-CA Chapter 2 Events

The American Academy of Pediatrics California Chapter 2 (AAP-CA2) is hosting a series of upcoming events in Southern CA. Click [here](#) for details.

IX. Assistance with Billing and Reimbursement Issues

For assistance with billing and reimbursement issues, providers may contact the Telephone Service Center (TSC) POS/Internet Help Desk at 1-800-541-5555 from 6 a.m. to midnight, Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Providers may also schedule a custom billing workshop at the provider's office, at no charge, by contacting their Regional Representative in one of the following ways:

- Call Medi-Cal at 1-800-541-5555 and request to be contacted by a representative;
- Use the Lookup Regional Representative tool on the MLP to contact the field representative for their area. To find the Regional Representative assigned to your area, click [here](#).

X. Recent CHDP Provider Information Notices (PIN)

<u>PIN</u>	<u>Description</u>
<a href="#">16-10</a>	Effective for dates of service on or after February 1, 2017, CHDP Program Clinical Laboratory providers, who bill for only clinical laboratory services, are required to use the CPT-4 national codes on the CMS-1500 or UB-04 claim form. As an alternative, providers are encouraged to submit claims via the ACS x12N 837P (Professional), version 5010A1 electronic transaction.
<a href="#">16-09</a>	Effective July 1, 2015 a change in legislation enacted a required dental referral beginning at age one for all CHDP children. The change in legislation now aligns CHDP policy with statute.
<a href="#">16-08</a>	An amendment was made to CHDP Program Provider Information Notices No. 12-05 and No. 10-09, regarding the age range for Menveo®. Effective February 1, 2016, Code 69, for Menveo® only, will lower the starting age for administration of Menveo® from nine (9) months to two (2) months of age.
<a href="#">16-07</a>	Two new CHDP Program Procedure Codes have been added for payments related to human papilloma viruses (HPV 9) vaccine (Gardasil9®).
<a href="#">16-04</a>	Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2016, with the implementation of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Bright Futures periodicity schedule for fee-for service, well child health assessments, there are additional benefits to the Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) program.
<a href="#">16-03</a>	Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2016, the CHDP program implemented the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Bright Futures periodicity schedule for fee-for service, well child health assessments.

XI. Archived Provider Information Notices

To view archived PINs, click [here](#).

XII. Recent Medi-Cal News Flashes

January 3, 2017, 2017 CPT-4 and HCPCS Updates Not Yet Adopted, click [here](#) for details.

December 29, 2016, Claims Processing Issue Affecting PFC/PPCW Provider Claims, click [here](#) for details.

December 27, 2016, DHCS Fiscal Intermediary Name Change, click [here](#) for details.

December 27, 2016, Medi-Cal Web Transaction Services Application Updates, click [here](#) for details.

December 23, 2016, Updated '2015 – 2016 Certification of Compliance', click [here](#) for details.

December 9, 2016, Reminder: Paper Claim Submission Guidelines, click [here](#) for details.

December 8, 2016, CHDP Notice: Phase 1 Clinical Laboratory Only Transition Update, click [here](#) for details.

December 7, 2016, February 2017 Pasadena Medi-Cal Provider Seminar, click [here](#) for details.

November 30, 2016, CHDP Looking Ahead: Phase 2 HIPAA Code Conversion and Claim Form Transition, click [here](#) for details.

November 18, 2016, PAVE Is Here, click [here](#) for details.

November 4, 2016, New Pregnancy Aid Codes, click [here](#) for details.

XIII. Archived Medi-Cal News Flashes

To view archived Medi-Cal News Flashes, click [here](#).

XIV. Medi-Cal Subscription Service (MCSS)

Providers can subscribe to the Medi-Cal Subscription Service (MCSS) to receive CHDP related notifications by completing the MCSS Subscriber Form on the Medi-Cal website. Click [here](#) to subscribe.

**XV. Recent CHDP Gateway to Health Coverage Bulletins**

December 2016, Bulletin 146, click [here](#) for details.

November 2016, Bulletin 145, click [here](#) for details.

October 2016, Bulletin 144, click [here](#) for details.

**XVI. Archived CHDP Gateway to Health Coverage Bulletins**

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