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INLAND EMPIRE HEALTH PLAN



To: IPA Administrators & PCPs
From: IEHP - Provider Relations
Date: August 22, 2011
Subject: **Important Policy Changes and Updates**

Effective immediately, Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) would like to announce the following changes:

1. The verbiage from Medi-Cal Policy 10C3, “Pediatric Preventive Services – Immunization Services,” Procedure F has changed.
 - From: “PCPs are **encouraged** to enroll in Vaccines for Children (VFC)”
 - To: “PCPs **must** enroll in Vaccines for Children (VFC)”

This change impacts PCPs who have Medi-Cal Members assigned ages 0-14.

2. The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) released new information pertaining to Bleach use. The Clorox Company has reformulated their household bleach and it is no longer effective against Tuberculosis (TB). Their Clorox Ultra Germicidal Bleach is the only one effective against TB, but it is not available in grocery stores. It is only available through a janitorial supply company. Please let your providers know that they must use a disinfecting product that is a tuberculocidal. Lysol Disinfectant Spray is also another alternative.

Additional information is available through IEHP’s Quality Program Nurse Manager at (909) 936-2089.