

## State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



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The Honorable Nancy Skinner Chair Joint Legislative Budget Committee 1020 N Street, Room 553 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Skinner:

## CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES – LEGISLATIVE REPORT 2020

On behalf of the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), I am providing you with the information regarding the California Children's Services (CCS) Program pursuant to Section 14093.06(e) of the Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code which states:

All children enrolled with a managed care contractor who are seeking CCS Program benefits shall retain all rights to CCS Program appeals and fair hearings of denials of medical eligibility or of service authorizations. Information regarding the number, nature, and disposition of appeals and fair hearings shall be part of an annual report to the Legislature on managed care contractor compliance with CCS standards, regulations, and procedures. This report shall be made available to the public.

During Calendar Year (CY) 2020 the following Managed Care Organizations (MCO) were authorized to provide CCS covered services pursuant to W&I Code Section 14094.3.

- Partnership Health Plan of California in Marin, Napa, Solano, and Yolo Counties:
- Health Plan of San Mateo in San Mateo County; and
- CenCal Health (formerly known as Santa Barbara Regional Health Authority in Santa Barbara County).

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The MCOs listed on the previous page provide CCS Program benefits in accordance with their contract with DHCS. In addition, each of the six listed counties work closely with these MCOs, and maintain files on appeals which are submitted by CCS Program clients or applicants living in their respective county.

During CY 2020, zero appeals were submitted by CCS Program clients or applicants to the six listed counties.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Richard Nelson, Division Chief, Integrated Systems of Care Division via e-mail at Richard.Nelson@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by

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