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## MEMORANDUM

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**DATE:** June 10, 2016

**TO:** California Children's Services (CCS) Stakeholders, and Members of CalOptima's Provider Advisory Committee and Member Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Michael Schrader, Chief Executive Officer

**SUBJECT:** California Children's Services (CCS) Transition Update

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As a key community stakeholder in CalOptima programs, you help CalOptima better fulfill our mission to serve members. Your partnership and collaboration will be especially valued as we prepare for the proposed transition of the California Children's Services (CCS) program into Medi-Cal.

At our first CCS stakeholder meeting featuring Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Director Jennifer Kent, we promised to keep you informed about significant developments. One such development is expected later this month. DHCS recently announced that a series of documents central to the transition will be released on June 22 via the CCS Advisory Group website [here](#). The documents will include:

- Whole-Child Model FAQ
- County information notice
- Implementation timeline
- Health plan phase-in methodology
- Health plan readiness document
- County readiness document

These documents will be discussed during the CCS Advisory Group's quarterly meeting on Wednesday, June 29, in Sacramento. DHCS plans to welcome public comment on the documents, and there is expected to be a limited window for responding with feedback.

CalOptima looks forward to reviewing the documents for the guidance they may provide about Orange County's timeline and readiness for the proposed CCS transition. In the meantime, CalOptima is continuing to participate in regular meetings with Orange County Health Care Agency to prepare.

We will convene another local CCS stakeholder meeting when CalOptima has identified updates and next steps of interest to the community. Again, thanks for your anticipated collaboration to ensure a smooth transition for this group of vulnerable Orange County children.