Brief Summary of CCS Eligible Conditions

This brief summary has been developed to help providers with a general understanding of CCS Medical Eligibility. It is not an authoritative statement. For specific details on CCS medical eligibility, please refer to the California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 2, Part 2, Subdivision 7, CCS Chapter 4, Medical Eligibility, Sections 41515.1 – 41518.9 or call the Alameda County CCS Office for assistance at (510) 208-5970.

- **Infectious Diseases**: In general these conditions are eligible when they: involve the CNS & produce disability requiring surgical intervention and/or rehabilitation service; involve bone; involve the eye and may lead to blindness; or are congenitally acquired with the potential to cause physical disability where postnatal treatment is available & appropriate. Confirmed HIV infection is also eligible, whether perinatally or postnatally required.

- **Neoplasms**: All malignancies are eligible; benign neoplasms are eligible when they cause a significant physical disability, severe disfigurement, or functional derangement.

- **Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases and Immune Disorders**: In general, endocrine disorders are eligible. Inborn errors of metabolism are eligible when specific treatment is indicated and available. Congenital and acquired immunologic deficiencies are eligible when manifested by life threatening infections.

- **Diseases of Blood & Blood Forming Organs**: In general these conditions are eligible; anemias are eligible if life threatening.

- **Mental Disorders & Mental Retardation**: Not eligible; however CCS may authorize limited treatment for these disorders if a CCS eligible condition causes the mental disorder or the mental disorder complicates the management of the CCS condition.

- **Nervous System**: These diseases are eligible if they are life threatening or if they produce a physical disability that significantly impairs daily function. Idiopathic epilepsy is eligible when seizures are uncontrolled per regulation. Self-limited, acute conditions are not covered.

- **Eye**: Disorders, including infections, which may produce permanent visual impairment, are generally eligible. Strabismus and chronic ophthalmological infections are eligible when surgery is required.

- **Ear & Mastoid**: Hearing loss, as defined per regulation; mastoiditis, cholesteatoma, perforation of TM requiring tympanoplasty.

- **Circulatory System**: Conditions involving the heart, blood vessels and lymphatic system.

- **Respiratory System**: Disabling conditions of the lungs, including chronic pulmonary infections; cystic fibrosis; respiratory failure requiring ventilator assistance; and chronic lung disease of various etiologies, including bronchopulmonary dysplasia and severe asthma.
• **Digestive System**: Includes acute liver failure and chronic liver disease, chronic intestinal failure, chronic inflammatory diseases of the GI tract, and GE reflux with complications, as per regulation. Medically handicapping malocclusions are eligible, when confirmed by reviewer at Denti-Cal. (see Numbered Letter 06-1004 as amended April 8, 2005).

• **GU System**: Acute and chronic glomerulonephritis, chronic nephrosis, obstructive uropathies, nephrocalcinosis, and chronic renal insufficiency.

• **Skin & Subcutaneous Tissue**: Scars, if disfiguring or disabling & requiring surgery; persistent, progressive diseases which are disabling or life-threatening & require multidisciplinary management.

• **Musculoskeletal System**: Chronic musculoskeletal conditions, including connective tissue disorders, that are disabling & require multidisciplinary management or extensive bracing, casting and/or surgery; bone and joint infections; intervertebral disc herniation; scoliosis with curve of 20° or greater.

• **Congenital Anomalies**: When severely disfiguring or when compromising a body function, these conditions are eligible if they are amenable to cure, correction or amelioration.

• **Perinatal Morbidity & Mortality**: Neonates with a CCS eligible condition or critically ill neonates, as per regulation. These neonates must receive care in a CCS certified NICU. Care includes outpatient follow up for high risk infants.

• **Accidents, Poisonings, Violence & Immunization Reactions**: Severe life-threatening emergencies that involve the nervous system or vital organs. Fractures of the skull, spine, pelvis or femur or other fractures involving the growth plates or requiring ORIF. Significant burns, foreign bodies, ingestion of drugs or poisons, lead poisoning & envenomations, per regulation.