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Dear Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care and Early Intervention Services Providers:

The purpose of this letter is to reiterate Medicaid policy regarding Early Intervention Services (EIS) performed in a Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care (PPEC) facility. The provider letter of January 5, 2007, clearly states that effective March 1, 2007, EIS Initial and Follow-up Psychosocial and Developmental Evaluations may be performed in a PPEC and reimbursed by Medicaid. Medicaid does not reimburse for EIS screenings and individual or group sessions performed in a PPEC. This policy will be included in the next issues of the Florida Medicaid PPEC and Early Intervention Services Coverage and Limitations Handbooks.

Appropriate PPEC staff are encouraged to actively participate as a team member in the evaluation process and in activities associated with the development and update of the Individualized Family Support Plan (IFSP).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Gail Underwood at 850-922-7316 or Kathleen Core at 850-922-7310.

Sincerely,

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