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OFFICIAL NOTICE

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TO: **Health Care Provider – Children's Services Respite Care**

DATE: **October 26, 2005**

SUBJECT: **Children's Services Respite Care Termination**

The Division of Medical Services (DMS) and the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services (DDS) have withdrawn the applications for renewal of 1915(c) waiver 0365, Respite for Children with MR/DD and waiver 0364, Respite for Children with Physical Disabilities. The waivers have an expiration date of October 31, 2005 and the Respite program will be terminated on the same date.

The current waiver participants will be served in an alternative DDS program funded by Title V for Children with Special Health Care Needs. DMS and DDS have complied with federal requirements for voluntary termination of the waiver (State Medicaid Manual 4446.A.) and notified participants in accordance with 42 CFR 431.210. DDS sent written notification of termination of services under the waivers to each participant 30 days before terminating waiver services. The notification letter explained the transition to the Title V program and the continuation of respite services. *A copy of the letter sent to participants is attached for your information.*

If you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding this change please contact Nancy Holder, DDS Program Administrator, at (501) 682-1464 or Nancy.Holder@arkansas.gov.

Thank you for your participation in the Arkansas Medicaid Program.

Roy Jeffus, Director

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