## PUBLIC NOTICE

## **BANKING AND INSURANCE**

## LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

## HEMOPHILIA HOME CARE PROVIDER DESIGNATION

Notice of Amendment to Children's Hospital Home Care's Designation as a Provider Eligible to Provide Home Treatment Services for Bleeding Episodes associated with Hemophilia – Revised Service Area

Take notice that, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 26:2S-10.1, the Department of Banking and Insurance (Department)<sup>1</sup> is required to develop a list of providers determined to be eligible to provide home treatment services for bleeding episodes associated with hemophilia (designated hemophilia home treatment providers) with which carriers are permitted to contract for the provision of hemophilia home treatment on an in-network basis when a carrier is offering health benefits plans that are managed care plans. N.J.A.C. 8:38C-2, implementing the provisions of N.J.S.A. 26:2S-10.1 through 10.3, establishes procedures by which providers may submit applications to become designated hemophilia home treatment providers.

Children's Hospital Home Care (Children's) submitted an application for designation and was approved on June 13, 2005. Public notice of the designation appeared in the August 1, 2005 New Jersey Register at 37 N.J.R. 2894(b). The public notice indicated that Children's designation was limited to certain zip codes within a 12-county service based on information included in the application submitted by Children's. Children's subsequently requested reconsideration of the geographic limitation and, based upon information provided by Children's the Department of Health and Senior Services determined it was appropriate to revise, but not eliminate, the limitation. The Department of Health and Senior Services issued a letter on August 27, 2005 to Children's setting forth that decision.

Shortly thereafter the Department of Health and Senior Services' functions and operations related to this activity were transferred to the Department. Accordingly, the Department is publishing this notice as a revision to the notice previously published by the Department of Health and Senior Services solely with respect to the information therein related to Children's Hospital Home Care. Effective August 27, 2005 and until further notice, the service area of Children's Hospital Home Care in New Jersey, as a designated hemophilia home treatment provider, shall include the following counties in full, without limitation by zip code or other geographic boundary: Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Salem and Somerset. Carriers may continue

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As originally enacted, the responsibilities and oversight associated with N.J.S.A. 26:2S-10.1 through 10.3 (P.L. 2000, c. 121) were under the jurisdiction of the Department of Health and Senior Services. Pursuant to Reorganization Plan 005-2005, jurisdiction was transferred to the Department of Banking and Insurance as of August 29, 2005. Reorganization Plan 005-2005 was published in the August 1, 2005 New Jersey Register at 2737(a).

to refer to the information in the August 1, 2005 notice for additional information regarding the provision of hemophilia services, other designated hemophilia home treatment providers, and State-recognized outpatient hemophilia treatment centers.

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