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Dear Provider:

New Jersey Medicaid and its Medicaid Managed Care Organization partners have teamed up with the New Jersey Health Information Technology Extension Center (NJ-HITEC) to offer free consulting and other services to assist in transitioning your practice's patient records to an Electronic Health Record (EHR) system.

As you may know, there are billions of dollars in federal assistance available for physicians and other health care providers to transition to an EHR system. In November, New Jersey Medicaid anticipates launching its EHR Incentive Program, which will provide up to \$63,750 to every qualified provider that becomes a "Meaningful User" of EHR Technology.

As part of NJ-HITEC's free service, they will guide you and your staff through the steps necessary to become a "Meaningful User". This includes working with you to gather the documents needed to show the state and federal governments that you have met their "Meaningful Use" requirements with your EHR system. Whether your EHR project is underway or you have just started thinking about purchasing an EHR system, you may still enroll in the program and qualify for NJ-HITEC's free assistance and support.

NJ-HITEC has a limited number of slots available on a first come, first serve basis. Nationally, 85,000 of your colleagues have signed up for this federally funded program and free services and nearly half of NJ-HITEC's five thousand free slots have been filled to date.

To register, please complete the NJ-HITEC Provider Registration below and fax to 973-622-2075, e-mail to <u>info@njhitec.org</u>, or join online at <u>www.njhitec.org/join</u>. If you have any questions or concerns about NJ-HITEC's services or the steps needed to qualify for federal EHR incentive payments, please contact the NJ-HITEC HOTLINE at 973-642-4055 or send an e-mail to info@njhitec.org.

Sincerely,

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New Jersey Department of Human Services

Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services















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The New Jersey Health Information Technology Extension Center (NJ-HITEC) was established pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) to provide New Jersey's 5,000 healthcare providers with expert guidance and advice in the selection, implementation, and Meaningful Use of electronic health technology. NJ-HITEC was awarded a four-year, \$23.8 million grant by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid for this initiative. At no cost to providers, NJ-HITEC services include:

- Education and training in health IT, EHR systems, and Meaningful Use;
- Practice assessment and Gap analysis;
- Consultative services in selecting an ONC Certified EHR vendor;
- Workflow redesign;
- Privacy/security compliance and "best practices";
- EHR project monitoring services and consumer protection;
- Process guidance in achieving "Meaningful Use.";
- Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits;
- NJ-HITEC's website and links to national health IT resources;
- Financing and group-purchase programs;
- Discounts on insurance premiums;
- Bi-monthly newsletter on current, need-to-know information; and,
- On-going training and workshop events

NJ-HITEC is located at 211 Warren Street, Suite 405, Newark, NJ 07103 and can be reached at 973-642-4055 or on the web at www.njhitec.org. Callers and correspondents will be immediately directed to an NJ-HITEC staff person who will assist providers to meet their immediate and long-term needs.