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**MEDICAID COMMUNICATION NO. 19-01**

**DATE: January 17, 2019**

**TO:** NJ FamilyCare Eligibility Determining Agencies

**SUBJECT:** Processing of Individuals who Lose Supplemental Security Income-related Medicaid

\*Replaces Medicaid Communication 13-07\*

Effective August 2018, when the Social Security Administration (SSA) terminates an individual's Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, the individual will be assessed for eligibility for other Medicaid programs. The beneficiary will systemically have their Medicaid program switched from SSI-related Medicaid to the Medicaid Only program for a temporary period extending from four (4) months from the SSI termination date. The individual will continue to receive their services through their managed care organization (MCO). During this time, the County Welfare Agency (CWA) will assess the individual for other benefits before making a final eligibility determination. The beneficiary will be sent an auto-generated letter informing them of this temporary period (see Attachment A). **Note:** If the beneficiary wishes to question or appeal the termination of their SSI Medicaid benefits, they must contact the Social Security District Office directly.

These temporary Medicaid Only beneficiaries will be added to the CWA's redetermination report using code 'SS' identified as the Worker and Supervisor, respectively. While the CWA is evaluating the beneficiary for another Medicaid program during this temporary period it is important for the CWA to utilize ex-parte information to process the case. Therefore, the eligibility worker shall use any and all databases that can provide relevant eligibility information. Databases such as, but not limited to, Social Security Online Query (SOLQ), Bureau of Vital Statistics (BVS), the SSI screens in Molina (SDX), NJ FamilyCare Integrated Eligibility System (Worker Portal) and DHS Online Verification of Eligibility (DOVE). Information not obtained electronically will be outreached using a pre-populated letter and Request for Information Form. Failure of the beneficiary to return this form will result in a termination of benefits with Fair Hearing Rights in accordance with 42 CFR 435.952(c).

If a beneficiary lost their SSI/Medicaid eligibility for any reason other than disability, a disability determination is deferred to the next annual redetermination of eligibility. Also, if a beneficiary who is a Disabled Adult Child (DAC) lost their SSI/Medicaid eligibility due to the receipt of a child's benefit, the CWA is to disregard the dollar amount of the increase in the child's insurance benefits that have caused ineligibility for SSI. In cases when SSI benefits ceased because of the initial receipt of children's insurance benefits, the full amount of that

benefit shall be disregarded for Medicaid eligibility purposes. Any subsequent increase in the children's insurance benefits shall also be disregarded, including Social Security cost-of-living increases. This special eligibility consideration shall continue until the individual no longer qualifies as disabled or blind, or becomes ineligible for Medicaid because of other income or resources. Please refer to Medicaid Communication 13-03 for more detailed information.

If you have any questions regarding this Medicaid Communication, please refer them to the Division's Office of Eligibility field staff for your agency at 609-588-2556.

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT YOUR MEDICAID**

Dear First Name, Last Name:

We have been notified by the Social Security Administration (SSA) that your eligibility for Medicaid under Supplemental Security Income (SSI) will be terminated. Your eligibility for Medicaid benefits is based on your eligibility for Supplemental Security Income (SSI). If you wish to question or appeal the termination of your SSI Medicaid benefits, you must contact the Social Security District Office as soon as possible. As a result of your SSI ending, **your Medicaid benefits will continue temporarily.**

Your local County Welfare Agency (CWA) will review your information to determine if you can continue Medicaid coverage through other NJ FamilyCare programs. **If the CWA requires further information you must respond promptly. Look out for the blue Request for Information envelope from the local County Board of Social Services:**



If you are a Medicare recipient, and Medicaid has been paying your Medicare Part B premium, Medicaid will no longer pay that premium if the CWA determines that you are ineligible for NJ FamilyCare. To find out if you can get help paying your Medicare Part B premium going forward, call the Division of Aging Services hotline at 1-800-792-9745. To receive information about other services that may be available to you within your county, contact your local Area Agencies on Aging/Aging and Disability Resource Connection (AAA/ADRC) listed on the back of this letter.

If you expect to purchase or receive health insurance through an employer within the next two months, request a Certificate of Creditable Coverage by, calling 1-800-701-0710. (TTY 1-800-701-0720).

Si necesita la carta traducida en español por favor llame al 1-800-356-1561. Pregunte por un representante que hable español.

**AREA AGENCIES ON AGING**

<p>Atlantic County Division of Intergenerational Services Shoreview Building, Office #222 101 South Shore Road Northfield, NJ 08225 (609) 645-7700, Ext. 4700 Fax: (609) 645-5940</p>	<p>Middlesex County Office of Aging and Disabled Services 75 Bayard Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor New Brunswick, NJ 08901 (732) 745-3295 Fax: (732) 246-5641</p>
<p>Bergen County Division of Senior Services One Bergen County Plaza, 2nd Floor Hackensack, NJ 07601-7076 (201) 336-7400 Fax: (201) 336-7430</p>	<p>Monmouth County Division on Aging, Disabilities &amp; Veterans Services Monmouth County Human Services Bldg. 3000 Kozloski Rd. Freehold, NJ 07728 (732) 431-7450 Fax: (732) 303-7649</p>
<p>Burlington County Office on Aging 795 Woodlane Road PO Box 6000 Mount Holly, NJ 08060 (609) 265-5069 Fax: (609) 265-3725</p>	<p>Morris County Division on Aging, Disabilities and Veterans 540 West Hanover Avenue PO Box 900 Morristown, NJ 07963-0900 (973) 285-6848 Fax: (973) 285-6883</p>
<p>Camden Department of Health and Human Services Division of Senior &amp; Disabled Services 512 Lakeland Ave. 4th fl. Blackwood, NJ 08012 (856) 858-3220 Fax: (856) 401-6405</p>	<p>Ocean County Office of Senior Services PO Box 2191 Toms River, NJ 08754-2191 (732) 929-2091 Fax: (732) 506-5019</p>
<p>Cape May County Department of Aging and Disability Services Social Services Building 4005 Route 9 South Rio Grande, NJ 08242 (609) 886-2784 &amp; 2785 Fax: (609) 889-0344</p>	<p>Passaic County Department of Senior Services, Disabilities and Veterans' Affairs 930 Riverview Drive, Suite #200 Totowa, NJ 07512 (973) 569-4070 Fax: (973) 256-5190</p>
<p>Cumberland County Office on Aging and Disabled Administration Building 800 East Commerce Street Bridgeton, NJ 08302 (856) 453-2220 &amp; 2221 Fax: (856) 455-1029</p>	<p>Salem County Office on Aging 110 Fifth Street, Suite 900 Salem, NJ 08079 (856) 339-8622 Fax: (856) 339-9268</p>
<p>Essex County Division of Senior Services 900 Bloomfield Avenue Verona, NJ 07044 (973) 395-8375 Fax: 973-228-6892</p>	<p>Somerset County Office on Aging &amp; Disability Services 27 Warren Street, First Floor PO Box 3000 Somerville, NJ 08876-1262 (908) 704-6346 Toll Free: 888-747-1122 Fax: (908) 595-0194</p>
<p>Gloucester County Division of Senior Services 115 Budd Blvd. West Deptford NJ, 08096 (856) 384-6900 Fax: (856) 686-8343</p>	<p>Sussex County Division of Senior Services Sussex County Administration Building 1 Spring Street, 2nd Floor Newton, NJ 07860 (973) 579-0555 Fax: (973) 579-0550</p>
<p>Hudson County Office on Aging 830 Bergen Avenue, Suite 3B Jersey City, NJ 07306 (201) 369-4313 Fax: (201) 369-4315</p>	<p>Union County Division on Aging 10 Elizabethtown Plaza Elizabeth, NJ 07207 (908) 527-4870 &amp; 4858 Toll Free: 888-280-8226 Fax: (908) 659-7410</p>
<p>Hunterdon County Division of Senior, Disabilities and Veterans' Services PO Box 2900 Flemington, NJ 08822-2900 (908) 788-1267, 1362 &amp; 1363 Fax: (908) 806-4537</p>	<p>Warren County Division of Aging &amp; Disability Services Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Building 165 County Road, Suite #245 Route 519 South Belvidere, NJ 07823-1949 (908) 475-6591 Fax: (908) 475-6588</p>
<p>Mercer County Office on Aging PO Box 8068 640 South Broad Street Trenton, NJ 08650 (609) 989-6661 &amp; 6662 Fax: (609) 393-2143</p>	<p>Office of Area Agencies on Aging Administration PO Box 807 Trenton, NJ 08625-0807  Aging and Disability Resource Connections 1-877-222-3737</p>