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DATE: December 8, 2011

TO: County Welfare Agency Directors
New Jersey Care...Special Medicaid Programs Liaisons

SUBJECT: New Jersey Supplemental Prenatal Care Program (NJSPCP)
Funding

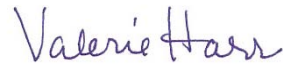
As a result of the overwhelming success of NJSPCP, it has come to our attention that the Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and hospitals portion of the State Fiscal Year 2012 funding has been exhausted. As you know, the NJSPCP is a program which provides limited prenatal care services to pregnant women who meet the eligibility requirements for New Jersey Care...Special Medicaid Programs except for the citizenship or immigrant requirements. Therefore, the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services' Presumptive Eligibility (PE) Unit will no longer accept and/or process PE/NJ FamilyCare applications for pregnant women who would have been eligible for benefits under NJSPCP. Copies of all unprocessed online application requests submitted by FQHCs and hospitals will be returned to the PE Coordinators by the Division.

Although the NJSPCP will no longer be available to these alien or undocumented pregnant women, please be advised these individuals shall continue to be referred to the County Welfare Agencies (CWAs) for application and evaluation under the Medical Emergency Payment Program for Aliens (MEPPFA) to have their labor and delivery claims covered. Obtaining MEPPFA eligibility will also act to ensure coverage for the subsequent newborns when the births are reported to the CWA.

As always, we appreciate your continued assistance in assuring that every eligible pregnant woman is afforded the opportunity to access quality health care, which will ultimately improve her chances of delivering a healthy newborn.

If you have any questions regarding this Medicaid Communication, please refer them to the Division's Office of Presumptive Eligibility at 609-588-2991.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Valerie Harr".

Valerie Harr
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