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Re: Enrollment of MIC-1 Recipients in Carolina Access

Dear County Director of Social Services:

DMA has implemented a plan to enroll children in Carolina ACCESS who were recently transitioned from NC Health Choice to Medicaid. That transition was effective January 1, 2006 And impacted approximately 26,000 children aged 0-5.

To ensure the success of this transition, we have asked primary care providers who see these children (more frequently than your DSS staff) to assist in educating these recipients and their families about Carolina ACCESS. We have also asked them to complete an enrollment form which will serve as the family's decision to select that provider/practice as their Carolina ACCESS provider. Providers have been instructed to send these completed enrollment forms to either DMA's Managed Care section or to the recipient's county DSS to be processed. Please instruct your staff to enroll these children into Carolina ACCESS with the provider identified on the enrollment form.

If there are any questions, please contact the managed care consultant assigned to your county. A list of consultants can be found at DMA's web site at www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dma/.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping these children get assigned to a medical home as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

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