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Re: County Specific Snapshots

Dear County Director of Social Services:

This letter is to notify you of a new and informative addition to the Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) Internet web site. The Quality, Evaluation, and Health Outcomes Unit (QEHO) in conjunction with the Data Retrieval Information Validation Engine (DRIVE) team developed "County Specific Snapshots for NC Medicaid Services." As the title implies, the web site displays specific Medicaid facts and figures pertinent to your county. You are invited to explore the website, see how your county compares against the overall State Medicaid statistics, or see how other counties compare to yours.

To access this new web site, please visit the DMA web site homepage at:

http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/home.htm

Look for "News and Hot Topics," then click on "County Specific Snapshots for NC Medicaid Services." Look for the prompt to choose a county, select, and view the presentation. Also, from the DMA home page, click on "Provider Links." Scroll down to "Publications" and select "QEHO Unit Initiatives." Then scroll down to "County Specific Snapshots for NC Medicaid Services." The QEHO web site may also be accessed directly by entering the web address as follows:

http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/ca/qm.htm.

If you would like further information about the QEHO website, you may contact Angie Yow, RN, Nurse Manager, QEHO Unit at 919-855-4176.

We hope you, your staff and constituents will avail themselves of this opportunity to view what the Medicaid program encompasses for your county and the State of North Carolina.

Sincerely,

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