January 31, 2011

Re: North Carolina Medicaid Notice of Privacy Practices

Dear County Director of Social Services,

The Division of Medical Assistance is required to make available a Medicaid Notice of Privacy Practices. The notice describes how medical information on an individual may be used and disclosed and how that individual can get access to that information.

The Medicaid Notice of Privacy Practices in English has been updated and posted effective February 1, 2011 to the DMA website. You will be notified when the Spanish version has been posted. It may be accessed at [http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dma/medicaid/rights.htm](http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dma/medicaid/rights.htm) by clicking the link under “Privacy.” Beginning February 1, 2011, use the revised form when giving or mailing the Notice of Privacy Practices to an applicant/recipient.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your Medicaid Program Representative.

Sincerely,

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