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TO: County Welfare Directors
Institutional Services Section Supervisors

SUBJECT: "Your Rights and Responsibilities" Pamphlet

The purpose of this communication is to advise the County Welfare Agencies and the Institutional Services Sections of the revision and reissuance of the "Rights and Responsibilities" pamphlet. The pamphlet has been revised to provide clarification regarding the application process and the responsibilities of applicants and beneficiaries. The pamphlet includes new material on the rights of a community spouse when the partner requires an institutional level of care, expanded information on Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs) and an Estate Recovery Reminder.

The pamphlets are to be distributed to applicants for New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare services at the time of application, and to beneficiaries at the time of redetermination of eligibility. In addition, they should be made available in your agency's waiting room.

You will be receiving a supply of the pamphlets soon. When your supply has been depleted, reorder requests may be directed to the Division's General Services section, at (609) 588-2708.

We appreciate your assistance in conveying this information to applicants and beneficiaries. Your cooperation, as always, is very much appreciated.

Should you have any questions about this communication, please contact the Division's Bureau of Eligibility Policy field staff assigned to your county at (609) 588-2556.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathryn A. Plant".

Kathryn A. Plant
Director

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