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TO: County Welfare Agency Directors
   Statewide Eligibility Determination Agency

SUBJECT: Change in the Presumptive Eligibility (PE) for Children Whose Permanent Residence is Less Than 5 Years.

BACKGROUND:

As you know, PE NJ FamilyCare (NJFC) has proven to be a remarkably successful program. Since July 1, 2005, PE NJFC has established eligibility for households whose incomes are up to 350% Federal Poverty Level which has helped in providing temporary eligibility to thousands of children. However, since 2001 PE NJFC denied eligibility for children whose permanent residency is less than 5 years.

PROGRAM CHANGES:

Since June 1, 2007, PE NJFC has been able to establish eligibility for children whose permanent residency is less than 5 years. Now providers are able to submit for review, PE NJFC applications on children whose permanent residency is less than 5 years.

Therefore, on the Medicaid Status File screen 074 you will see the Alien Type will be a 4 and the Date of Entry will show less than 5 years. On screen 077, Special Program Code 40 will be noted.

Should you have any questions concerning this information, please contact the Presumptive Eligibility Unit at (609) 588-2911.

Sincerely,

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