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TO: Providers of Pharmaceutical Services – **For Action**
Physicians, Dentists, Podiatrists, Certified Nurse
Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Specialists, Optometrists, Independent
Clinics, and Health Maintenance Organizations – **For Information**

SUBJECT: **Change in Threshold for the Monthly Prescription Volume
Threshold Process (MPTP)**

EFFECTIVE: Claims with service dates on or after April 1, 2000

PURPOSE: To notify pharmacies of a change in the threshold for the Monthly
Prescription Volume Threshold Process (MPTP).

BACKGROUND: The Medicaid Newsletter Volume 9, No. 70, dated November
1999, notified pharmacies regarding the Monthly Prescription
Volume Threshold Process (MPTP). Pharmacies were informed that the Division would
phase-in the MPTP over several months, starting December 1, 1999.

ACTION: **For pharmacy claims with service dates on or after April 1, 2000,**
the MPTP threshold will decrease from fifteen (15) to twelve (12)
prescriptions per calendar month. All other requirements for the MPTP remain
unchanged. Please see the Medicaid Newsletter, Volume 9, No. 70, dated November
1999, for additional information concerning the MPTP.

If you have any questions concerning MPTP procedures, please do not hesitate to
contact First Health Services at 1-877-888-2939. For questions concerning MPTP
policy, please do not hesitate to contact the Chief, Pharmaceutical Services, DMAHS,
at (609) 588-2724.

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