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**TO:** Hospitals

**SUBJECT:** Temporary Expanded Access to Medicaid Eligibility Files for Medicare DSH

**EFFECTIVE:** Immediately

**PURPOSE:** To assist hospitals in identifying Medicaid eligible days for use in Medicare DSH claiming.

**BACKGROUND:** The Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services assisted New Jersey acute care general hospitals in identifying their Medicaid eligible days in an effort to maximize the hospitals' Medicare DSH claiming. The Division's efforts conclude with the period ending calendar year 1999. Hospitals were instructed to begin collecting Medicaid eligibility data beginning January 1, 2000.

**ACTION:** Currently, hospitals can only access Medicaid eligibility information from REVS or MEVS for a twelve (12) month period prior to the date of request. To assist those hospitals that have not initiated their collection efforts, temporarily, for the period February 2, 2001 through April 30, 2001, hospitals will be able to access Medicaid eligibility information from REVS or MEVS relating to January 1, 2000 through the request date. On May 1, 2001 access will again be limited to the 12-month period from the request date. It is important to note that access to this information relating to January 1, 2000 to April 30, 2000 will only be available from February 2, 2001 through April 30, 2001.

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