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TO: Durable Medical Equipment/Medical Suppliers, Providers of Prosthetic and Orthotic Supplies and Hearing Aid Providers – **For Action**
Health Maintenance Organizations – **For Information Only**

SUBJECT: Prior Authorization of Durable Medical Equipment/Medical Supplies/Prosthetics and Orthotics/Hearing Aids for Residents of Bergen and Passaic Counties

EFFECTIVE: **April 1, 2003**

PURPOSE: To notify providers of durable medical equipment, prosthetic and orthotics, medical supplies, and hearing aids that all prior authorization activities currently conducted by the Morris Medical Assistance Customer Center (MACC) for Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare eligible residents of Bergen and Passaic Counties will be transferred to the Passaic MACC.

BACKGROUND: The Morris MACC has provided prior authorization for Medicaid Program Customers residing in Bergen and Passaic Counties. As of April 1, 2003 the Passaic MACC will assume responsibility of Bergen and Passaic County residents for prior authorization of durable medical equipment, medical supplies, prosthetics and orthotics and hearing aids.

ACTION: **Effective April 1, 2003**, the prior authorization activity for durable medical equipment, medical supplies, prosthetics and orthotics for Medicaid eligible residents of Bergen and Passaic Counties will be under the jurisdiction of the Passaic MACC. **This change only applies to customers residing in Bergen and Passaic counties. There is no change for Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare customers residing in the other 19 counties. Inquiries can be made to:**

Passaic Medical Assistance Customer Center
66 Hamilton Street
Paterson, New Jersey 07505-2021
973-977-4077
973-684-8182 (Fax)

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