



State of New Jersey  
Department of Human Services  
Division of Medical Assistance & Health Services

# NEWSLETTER

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**TO:** Fee-for-Service Providers of Pharmaceutical Services

**SUBJECT:** **Compliance with OBRA Patient Consultation Requirements**

**EFFECTIVE:** Pharmaceutical services provided between October 1, 2002, and September 30, 2003

**BACKGROUND:** The New Jersey Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) is required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to provide information regarding compliance of pharmacies participating in the New Jersey Medicaid program with the prospective drug utilization review requirements described under Section 1927(g)(2)(A) of the Social Security Act (SSA) and as required under Section 4401 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) of 1990. Pharmacists are required to “offer to consult” with Medicaid beneficiaries regarding matters which, in the pharmacist’s professional judgment, are deemed significant (See Medicaid Newsletter Volume 2, No. 67, dated December 1992).

**ACTION:** Attached to this Newsletter is a “Prospective Drug Utilization Review (PDUR) Certification Statement” which the Division is requesting you complete for your pharmacy and return to the State **no later than December 15, 2003**. The certification statement applies to pharmacy services provided during the period October 1, 2002, to September 30, 2003, and is intended for informational purposes only. Pharmacies are required to return this statement to:

State of New Jersey  
Department of Human Services  
Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services  
Chief, Pharmaceutical Services  
Office of Utilization Management  
P.O. Box 712, Mail Code #20  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0712  
Attention: PDUR

If you have any questions regarding this Newsletter, please contact the Chief, Pharmaceutical Services, DMAHS, at (609) 588-2724.

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**CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

**Prospective Drug Utilization Review (PDUR)**

**October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2003**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, R.Ph., on behalf  
of \_\_\_\_\_(Pharmacy)

(Provider No.) \_\_\_\_\_, certify that \_\_\_\_\_

(Pharmacy) has consistently offered to consult with Medicaid beneficiaries regarding Prospective Drug Utilization Review (PDUR) matters which, in my professional judgment, were deemed significant in accordance with Section 1927 (g)(2)(A) of the Social Security Act (SSA) and as required under Section 4401 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990. In addition, the information provided below describes, to the best of my knowledge, compliance with these requirements.

(1) Percentage of Medicaid beneficiaries accepting patient consultation: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Percentage of Medicaid beneficiaries refusing patient consultation: \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Percentage of Medicaid beneficiaries served by my pharmacy for whom PDUR matters were deemed insignificant, based on my professional judgment, and no consultation was offered. \_\_\_\_\_

**Total: 100%**

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(signature)

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(date)