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TO: Providers of Pharmaceutical Services – **For Action**
Health Maintenance Organizations – **For Information Only**

SUBJECT: (1) **Mandatory Compliance Requirements for NCPDP D.O
Pharmacy Transactions**
(2) **Mandatory Compliance Requirement for Reporting
Medicare Part D Benefit Stages**

EFFECTIVE: Claims with service dates on or after May 1, 2012

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BACKGROUND: The New Jersey Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services and the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) are pleased to announce that **9 out of 10 pharmacies** participating in State fee-for-service pharmacy benefit programs are certified/approved and **are currently transmitting pharmacy claims using the new National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) D.0/1.2 claim transaction** for reimbursement purposes.

A detailed Newsletter describing the steps necessary for Molina Medicaid Solutions to accept NCPDP D.0/1.2 claim transactions may be found at www.njmms.com under "Newsletter & Alerts." Please see Newsletter Volume 21, No. 05, dated March 2011.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently announced a new compliance date of July 1, 2012 for NCPDP D.0/1.2 transactions. Although New Jersey considered this extension as an option, claim performance to date appears to indicate that the majority of pharmacies have moved forward with NCPDP D.0/1.2 implementation likely in response to deadlines established by commercial insurance plans.

In addition, due to new NCPDP D.0/1.2 transaction requirements, processing of D.0 transactions is now critically important to DHSS to ensure the appropriate payment of pharmacy claims by the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) Program.

ACTION: Effective for claims with service dates on or after May 1, 2012:

- NCPDP 5.1/1.1 pharmacy transactions will be denied payment by the State of New Jersey. On or after May 1, 2012, only NCPDP D.0/1.2 pharmacy transactions will be processed by Molina Medicaid Solutions (BIN 610515).

Pharmacies experiencing difficulties receiving certification/approval of the NCPDP D.0/1.2 transaction should contact the **Molina Medicaid Solutions Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Unit at 609-588-6051**. In addition, software vendors should be aware that the hours for submitter testing were changed from Wednesdays and Thursdays to **Tuesday through Friday from 9 AM to 3PM**.

- NCPDP D.0/1.2 transactions received by Molina Medicaid Solutions shall be denied payment by **Error Code 2236** when no Benefit Stage Amount fields are included on the submitted claim. The Benefit Stage Amount field represents the Part D benefit stage that the beneficiary is in at the time the claim was paid by the Part D Prescription Drug Plan. These stages include deductible, initial, donut hole (coverage gap) and catastrophic.

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