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TO: Physicians, Advanced Practice Nurses, Nurse Midwives, Independent Clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Hospitals – **For Action**
Health Maintenance Organizations – **For Information Only**

SUBJECT: **Change in NJ FamilyCare Plans B, C and D Policy Regarding the Purchase of Vaccines**

EFFECTIVE: Claims with service dates on or after July 1, 2014

PURPOSE: To notify managed care providers who currently provide vaccines available through the New Jersey Vaccine For Children (NJ-VFC) program to NJ FamilyCare Plans B, C and D-eligible managed care members of a change in policy regarding the purchase of vaccines.

BACKGROUND: The NJ-VFC program offers practitioners the opportunity to receive free vaccines for certain NJ FamilyCare-eligible children less than 19 years of age. **Due to changes to policies and procedures implemented by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the NJ-VFC program on October 1, 2013, access to vaccines available through the NJ-VFC program for NJ FamilyCare Plans B, C and D-eligible children shall be discontinued for claims with service dates on or after July 1, 2014.**

It is important to note that access to NJ-VFC available vaccines shall continue for those children who are Medicaid eligible, covered by NJ FamilyCare Plan A or otherwise meet NJ-VFC guidelines. For additional information regarding NJ-VFC eligibility guidelines, go to <https://njiis.nj.gov/njiis/docs/vfcfaq.pdf>

ACTION: **Effective for claims with service dates on or after July 1, 2014**, NJ FamilyCare managed care plans shall be responsible for providing coverage and reimbursement for vaccine costs and related administration fees when vaccines **no longer available through the NJ-VFC program** are provided to NJ FamilyCare Plans B, C and D-eligible children. Providers will be required to obtain required vaccines from traditional market sources.

NJ FamilyCare managed care plans shall continue to provide coverage and reimbursement for only vaccine administration costs for claims with service dates prior to July 1, 2014. Providers shall continue to have access to NJ-VFC available vaccines for NJ FamilyCare Plans B, C and D-eligible children during this same time period.

NOTE: Providers can verify NJ FamilyCare eligibility by contacting the Recipient Eligibility Verification System (REVS) at 1-800-676-6562.

If you have any questions regarding this Newsletter, please do not hesitate to contact Molina Provider Services at 1-800-776-6334.

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