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**TO:** All providers – **For Action**  
Health Maintenance Organizations – **For Information Only**

**SUBJECT:** 1135 Waiver and COVID-19 Provider Enrollment Allowances

**EFFECTIVE:** Provider Applications Received on or after April 1, 2020

**PURPOSE:** To notify applicants requesting enrollment in the NJ FamilyCare (NJFC) Medicaid Program of temporary changes to accelerate provider enrollment process during the State of Emergency.

**BACKGROUND:** Under the terms of the Stafford Act, the Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary is authorized to take certain actions in addition to his regular authorities under Section 1135 of the Social Security Act. These actions include waiving certain regulatory requirements around the enrollment of providers requesting participation in State Medicaid Programs.

The purpose of this Newsletter is to document those changes being undertaken by the NJ Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) to accelerate the NJFC Medicaid provider enrollment application process during the State of Emergency.

## **ACTION:**

NJ FamilyCare recognizes the essential role that healthcare providers play in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are grateful for your leadership on the front lines, and for your commitment to serving New Jerseyans the best way possible. In light of this unprecedented situation, the State of New Jersey is taking steps to accelerate enrollment of new providers including:

- Transitioning from the current paper based provider enrollment application to an online "Public Health Crisis Provisional Enrollment" form available under "Announcements" on [www.njmmis.com](http://www.njmmis.com). This form may be submitted online to [njmmisproviderenrollment@dx.com](mailto:njmmisproviderenrollment@dx.com), faxed to the Provider Enrollment Unit at 609-584-1192, or by mail to DXC Provider Enrollment Unit, Attention: Reeshemah Trower, PO Box 4804, Trenton, NJ 08650-4804.

**Note: DMAHS will accept copies of original signatures on provider applications in lieu of original signatures during the State of Emergency, provided the applicant maintains a record of the original signatures that can be provided at a later date or upon request.**

- Temporarily suspending the collection of enrollment application fees effective April 27, 2020
- Permitting providers currently enrolled in Medicare and/or possessing a license in good standing in another state to serve New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare members
- Extending the current New Jersey Medicaid provider enrollment validity period and pausing the re-validation process. DMAHS will notify providers when the Division intends to restart the provider revalidation process

If you have any questions, please contact the Provider Enrollment Unit at 609-588-6036.

Thank you again for your tireless service to the residents of New Jersey during these unprecedented times.

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