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TO: All Medicaid Providers

FROM: Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services

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SUBJECT: The Medicaid Managed Care Program--New Jersey Care 2000

## **Background**

We are pleased to announce **four** recent changes to the New Jersey Care 2000 program. The first two changes concern new HMOs: **American Preferred Provider Plan, Inc.** was approved in October 1995 to enroll Medicaid beneficiaries in Hudson County and **Americaid Community Care** was approved in November 1995 to enroll Medicaid beneficiaries in Essex and Passaic Counties. Third, **First Option Health Plan** was approved in September 1995 to expand their service area to two additional counties--Hudson and Camden. Fourth, **Garden State Health Plan** was approved in September 1995 to expand their service area to four additional counties--Cumberland, Monmouth, Salem and Somerset. Please be reminded that all of the non-governmental HMOs are operating under the same mandatory contract provisions, whether enrollment in their county of operation is mandated or not. This means that throughout the State, all Medicaid beneficiaries enrolled in non-governmental HMOs have access to the same Medicaid services through their HMO. For information on the mandatory contract service package, please refer to Newsletter Volume 5, Number 40 issued July 1995.

## **HMOs currently operating in the New Jersey Care 2000 program**

There are now eleven (11) HMOs licensed and approved to offer managed care services to Medicaid beneficiaries. These HMOs, with appropriate telephone numbers, are:

HMO	Provider Phone Number	Customer Service Phone Number	Counties of Operation
Americaid Community Care	1-800-454-3730	1-800-600-4441	Essex, Passaic
American Preferred Provider Plan, Inc.	1-800-310-2777	1-800-310-2777	Hudson
First Option Health Plan	1-800-963-6286	1-800-555-2604	Cumberland, Gloucester, Essex, Hudson, Camden
Garden State Health Plan	1-800-525-0047	1-800-525-0047	All counties <i>except</i> Cape May, Hunterdon, Ocean
Harmony Health Plan	1-800-771-9875	1-800-771-9871	Essex, Hudson
HIP Health Plan of New Jersey	1-800-551-8083	1-800-688-5117	Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Hudson, Mercer, Middlesex, Union
Liberty Health Plan	1-800-425-0185	1-800-399-0499	Hudson
Medigroup South-- dba-- Mercy Health Plan of NJ on behalf of HMO Blue	1-800-682-9091	1-800-682-9090 1-800-656-3729	Camden, Essex, Hudson
Oxford Health Plan	1-800-233-5479	1-800-444-2413	Essex, Hudson
University Health Plan	1-800-564-6847	1-800-564-6847	Essex
US HealthCare	1-800-624-0756(Southern NJ) 1-800-852-0629 ext. 3695(Bergen, Passaic, Essex, Hudson and Union) 1-800-852-0629 ext.3861(Sussex Middlesex, Monmouth, Warren, Ocean, Hunterdon, Somerset)	1-800-628-4758(English) 1-800-533-6615(Spanish)	Camden, Cumberland, Essex, Gloucester, Hudson

As additional HMOs are approved and licensed to serve Medicaid beneficiaries or expand their area of operation, we will alert you.

Enrollment of Medicaid beneficiaries in these HMOs totals over 171,000 members.

**Any Other Questions?**

Should you have any questions about the information in this Newsletter, please call the **Medicaid Managed Care Hotline at 1-800-792-9745**. We thank you for your continuing commitment to the Medicaid program, and look forward to your continued participation.

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