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# NEWSLETTER

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**TO:** Transportation Providers

**SUBJECT:** Prior Authorization of Invalid Coach Service for Beneficiaries Residing in Bergen, Hudson and Passaic Counties

**EFFECTIVE:** July 1, 1997

**BACKGROUND:** Due to increased volume and available staff resources, prior authorization of invalid coach services provided by the Passaic Medicaid District Office (MDO) for Medicaid eligibles residing in Bergen, Hudson and Passaic Counties must be transferred to the Essex MDO.

**ACTION:** Effective immediately, requests for prior authorization of invalid coach services for dates of service on and after July 1, 1997, for Medicaid beneficiaries residing in Bergen, Hudson and Passaic Counties, must be forwarded to the Essex MDO for processing.

If you have any questions concerning this procedural change, please contact the Regional Administrator at (973) 648-7201.

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