



State of New Jersey  
Department of Human Services  
Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services

# MEDICAID ALERT

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**TO:** Hospitals - Chief Executive Officer  
(ROUTE TO: Accounting, Finance and Billing)

**SUBJECT:** Conversion to the UB-92 Claim Form

**EFFECTIVE:** October 1, 1993

**BACKGROUND:** The New Jersey Medicaid program, in accordance with instructions from the Federal Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), is intending to accept the UB-92 claim in both hard-copy and electronic media claim formats according to the implementation schedule indicated in this Medicaid Alert. The New Jersey Medicaid Management Information System (NJMMIS) currently accepts hospital inpatient and outpatient claims either on the UB-82 (HCFA-1450) claim form or in an electronic media claim format specifically designed for compatibility with the NJMMIS. Hospitals are being advised on the anticipated conversion to the UB-92 in order to plan for this conversion.

**ACTION:** Claims for hospital inpatient and outpatient services may be submitted as follows:

1. Effective with hard-copy claims submitted on and after October 1, 1993, either the UB-82 or the UB-92 claim form will be acceptable for claims processing purposes.
2. Effective with hard-copy claims submitted on and after April 1, 1994, **ONLY** the UB-92 claim form will be accepted for claims processing purposes. The UB-82 claim form will **NOT** be accepted after March 31, 1994.
3. Hospitals must continue to utilize the current UB-82 electronic media claim formats until March 31, 1994, when the NJMMIS will accept either the HCFA Flat File (Version 4) or the ANSI 837 file format. Further details will be announced in future communications regarding the availability of EMC specifications and corresponding testing periods.

