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TO: District Superintendents
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SUBJECT: Local Finance Notices re: Implementation of c 78 Health Benefit Reform

This serves to inform you about two newsletters: Local Finance Notices 2011-20R (Revised) and 2011-34. Both contain important information concerning implementation of c.78 Health Benefit Reform matters.

2011-20R replaces the original guidance issued as 2011-20. Parts of the Notice have been rewritten to provide greater clarity and supplemental information based on questions and concerns that surfaced after its initial release in July.

While the changes in text between the versions of 2011-20/20R are not highlighted (notes that the Appendices are not changed from the original), Notice 2011-34 summarizes the substantive changes to the Notice. While 2011-34 summarizes the changes, officials responsible for health benefit administration should re-read 2011-20R to ensure full understanding of the changes.

It is believed that these changes should resolve many of the outstanding questions concerning local administration of health benefits provisions of the law. As always, questions can be emailed to dlgs@dca.state.nj.us.

Recipients are asked to share this with appropriate human resources and benefits administration personnel in your organization.