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TO: County Welfare/Social Services Agency Directors

SUBJECT: Community Care Program for the Elderly and Disabled
(CCPED) - Operational Procedures Manual

This is to inform you that the Community Care Program for the Elderly and Disabled (CCPED), which is administered by the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, has been renewed for a five-year period, effective October 1, 1986, by the Federal Health Care Financing Administration. As you know, this is a statewide home care services program to help eligible individuals remain in the community rather than be placed in a nursing home.

Since its onset on October 1, 1983, CCPED has served over 3,600 individuals. Currently, 2,100 slots may be filled in the program at any one time. These slots are assigned statewide in accordance with the needs of the population and the available resources to meet these needs.

During the implementation of CCPED over the past three years, there have been changes to both program areas and eligibility procedures. In making these changes, the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services has attempted to respond to the needs of the population being served, the agencies providing the services and the general community. These changes are incorporated into the attached Operational Procedures.

The attached Operational Procedures Manual replaces the CCPED Operational Procedures Manual sent to you initially on December 21, 1983 as Medicaid Communication #83-7; on March 23, 1984 as Medicaid Communication #84-3; on September 24, 1984 as Medicaid Communication #84-8, and any updated distributed versions.

The following identify significant areas revised in the CCPED. They have been incorporated in the new attached Operational Procedures Manual:

1. Dual Track for determination of financial and medical eligibility has been eliminated.
2. Program eligibility has been revised so that individuals may now become eligible if, in lieu of Medicare, they have other medical insurance which includes physician and hospitalization coverage.
3. Program eligibility has been revised so that individuals under 65 may be determined disabled by the Division of Public Welfare's Bureau of Medical Affairs, or by the Social Security Administration.
4. Ten percent (10%) of the population served under the program may now be served up to 100% rather than 70% of the cost of institutional care. This is monitored by each Medicaid District Office.
5. Both incurred and paid medical and remedial expenses are now deductible in the determination of the individual's cost-share liability for the program.
6. Recipients are now terminated from the program if they are hospitalized for more than 30 days.
7. The method for determining the applicant's cost-share liability has been revised. One hundred fifty dollars (\$150) will be added to the current State Supplemental Security Income Standard (including the State optional supplement) when calculating the personal maintenance deductible on the Cost-Share Worksheet.
8. The income maintenance workers will no longer estimate the applicant's cost-share liability nor compute allowable medical or remedial care expenses. However, they will inform the applicant what the maximum cost-share could be.

New forms have been developed and others have been revised to accommodate changes in the CCPED. Additionally, the forms have been changed so that they can be used universally in all the home and community-based waiver programs presently administered by the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services. A start-up supply of new and revised forms will be sent to appropriate staff in various sites. Additional copies of all forms can be ordered from the Division's General Services Unit by calling (609) 588-2708. All old forms should be destroyed upon receipt of these procedures.

Carefully review the new Operational Procedures Manual. Any questions should be directed to your representative at the Office of Home Care Programs, (609) 588-2620.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas M. Russo", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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