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Dear Parent/Caregiver:

The purpose of this letter is to let you know about the New Jersey **School Based Health Services (SBHS)** Program. If your child is enrolled in Medicaid, they may be receiving or eligible to receive health services in school through the SBHS program.

Here are three things you should know about SBHS and why your signed parental consent matters:

1. Your school district may be eligible to receive federal funding through the SBHS program which helps to pay for School Based Health Services.
2. A school district may receive SBHS funding only if a consent form is signed by the parent/caregiver.
3. Signing the consent form will have no effect on your child's Medicaid health coverage Services rendered outside of school.

If you do not sign the consent form, it will not affect the services your child receives in school.

The SBHS program is an important source of funding for participating school districts. We appreciate your support of this program and hope that you will consider signing the parent consent form and submitting it to your district. This funding is vital for school districts and helps support the provision of critical health services for students.

Please feel free to contact your school district if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Gregory Woods

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Assistant Commissioner