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Martin O'Malley, Governor - Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor - Joshua M. Sharfstein, M.D., Secretary

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Dear Provider:

Recently, the Program sent a transmittal informing you of the required Medicare enrollment of Medicaid Disposable Medical Supplies/Durable Medical Equipment, and Oxygen and Related Respiratory Equipment Providers. Providers who do not intend to bill Medicare will not have to enroll with Medicare as previously stated.

To ensure that these requirements are met, Maryland Medicaid (Program) requires that all oxygen, and medical equipment and supply providers are accredited with one of the the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approved organizations as a prerequisite to enrolling as a Maryland Medicaid provider. Any provider type exempt from Medicare accreditation requirements (i.e., Pharmacies, Orthotists and Prosthetists, including Ocularists), are exempt from these Medicaid requirements.

Providers who are currently enrolled with the Program that are not accredited and new provider enrollees, must present the Program with proof of accreditation by April 1, 2012. The Program will accept a copy of the accreditation certificate from one of the CMS approved accrediting organizations as proof of accreditation. You may find a list of these organizations on the following CMS website:

https://www.cms.gov/MedicareProviderSupEnroll/Downloads/DeemedAccreditationOrganizationsCMB.pdf

According to our records, the Program has not yet received accepted proof of accreditation or proof that you have started the accreditation process from your office. As of April 1, 2012, providers who have not sent in proof of CMS standard accreditation will be terminated from the program and will have to reenroll under the new requirement. Documentation may be forwarded to the Division of Community Support Services via the following:

Fax: 410.333.5052, Attn: Karen Gaines Email: DCSS@dhmh.state.md.us

Providers should ensure that the Medicaid provider number, contact name, and telephone number are listed with the submitted information.

Any questions regarding this transmittal may be directed to a staff specialist at 410-767-1739. Additionally, please visit our new website at: http://dhmh.md.gov/mma/communitysupport/.