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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Nursing Home Transmittal No. 205

Hospital Transmittal No. 196

Medical Day Care Transmittal No. 57

Waiver for Older Adults Transmittal No. 19

Model Waiver Program Transmittal No. 25

Living at Home Waiver Transmittal No. 13

TBI Waiver Transmittal No. 1

PACE Transmittal No. 1

Physician Transmittal No. 131

Nurse Practitioner Transmittal No. 16

January 8, 2007

TO: Nursing Home Administrators
Hospital Administrators
Medical Day Care Center Directors
Waiver for Older Adults Case Managers
Living at Home Waiver Case Managers
Mental Hygiene Administration
Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly
Model Waiver Nursing Providers
Nurse Practitioners
Physicians

FROM: Mark A. Leeds, Director 
Long Term Care and Community Support Services

NOTE: Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.

RE: New Utilization Control Agent

Effective February 1, 2007, Keystone Peer Review Organization, Inc. (KēPRO) will replace the Delmarva Foundation for Medical Care, Inc. (Delmarva) as the Maryland Medical Assistance Program's contractor for utilization control services. After January 31, 2006, all required documentation formerly submitted to Delmarva should be sent to:

KēPRO
Executive Plaza II
11350 McCormick Road, Suite 102
Hunt Valley, MD 21031

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KēPRO will assume responsibility for performing utilization review activities for the long term care, community service programs and hospitals as follows:

Long Term Care and Community Service Programs:

1. **Medical Eligibility Reviews**
Level of care determinations for individuals seeking Medicaid coverage of Nursing Facility Services, Medical Day Care, PACE, and waiver services under the Model Waiver, Living at Home Waiver, Waiver for Older Adults and TBI Waiver programs.
2. **Nursing Facility Reviews**
Continue the Certification Process, Administrative Day Requests, Medical Review for Liens, Patient Assessments, Continued Stay Reviews, Options Counseling and confirm PASRR compliance.
3. **Community Services**
Medical Day Care Compliance Audits and Medical Day Care Continued Stay Reviews
4. **Reconsiderations and Administrative Hearings**
Nursing Facility and Community Service Programs

Questions should be directed to the Division of Long Term Care Services at 410-767-1736.

Hospitals:

1. **Acute Hospital Preadmission Reviews**
Preadmission reviews for elective and emergency admissions, preoperative day review concurrent reviews
2. **Prospective Pre-payment Hospital Reviews**
3808 Reviews (post discharge and pre-payment), contiguous states hospital reviews
3. **Reconsiderations and Administrative Hearings**

Questions concerning hospital services should be directed to 410-767-1722.

KēPRO will be in contact with you in the near future concerning upcoming training sessions occurring in January. The Program appreciates your cooperation through this important transition.

cc: Nursing Home Liaison Committee
Maryland Department of Aging
Maryland Association of Adult Day Services
League for Excellence in Adult Day Care
Adult Evaluation and Review Services
Local Health Officers