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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSITANCE PROGRAM Home Health Transmittal No. 45

July 21, 2006

TO:

Home Health Agency Administrators

FROM:

Mark A. Leeds, Director

Long Term Care and Community Support Services

NOTE:

Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are

informed about the contents of this transmittal.

RE:

Preauthorization

Pursuant to COMAR 10.09.04.06A(2), preauthorization is required for services rendered in any thirty-day period for which the provider anticipates interim payments in excess of the Medicaid average nursing facility rate. Effective July 1, 2006 this amount is \$5,796. All other preauthorization procedures remain the same as outlined in Home Health Transmittal No. 42 dated September 19, 2005.

Questions concerning this transmittal should be directed to the Staff Specialist for Home Health Services at (410)767-1448 or 1-877-4MD-DHMH extension 1448.