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In an effort to give timely notice to the pharmacy community concerning important pharmacy topics, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH), **Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program** (MMPP) has developed the **Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program Advisory**. To expedite information timely to the pharmacy and prescriber communities, an email network has been established which incorporates the email lists of the Maryland Pharmacists Association, EPIC, CARE, Long Term Care Consultants, headquarters of all chain drugstores and prescriber associations and organizations. It is our hope that the information is disseminated to all interested parties. If you have not received this email through any of the previously noted parties or via MDH, please contact the MMPP representative at 410-767-1455.

**Long-term Care Medicaid recipient** 

In

Cecil, Frederick, Harford, and Howard Counties

Please review the attachment below from the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Health. For additional questions you may call the phone number provided on the attachment or the Pharmacy hotline at 1-800-492-5231, option #3.



Larry Hogan, Governor · Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor · Robert R. Neall, Secretary

August 2, 2018

Dear Medical Assistance Providers,

The Maryland Department of Health identified a systems issue that resulted in incorrect notifications of Medicaid ineligibility for certain Long-term Care Medicaid recipients in **Cecil**, **Frederick**, **Harford**, **and Howard Counties**. This is an initial communication to alert you about the issue. We are working with the Maryland Department of Human Services to address the matter as quickly as possible.

If you have received a Notice of Eligibility that confirms recipients should have coverage for Aug. 1, please ensure that services for those recipients continue to be made available through contracted providers or other arrangements (such as medical transportation arranged through the local health departments). Payment for Medicaid covered services will be provided retroactively to Aug. 1. Providers will be able to bill once coverage has been established.

We will notify you as soon as the appropriate systems updates are finalized. If you have any additional questions, please call 410-767-5492.

Sincerely,

Robert R. Neall Secretary