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Genetically Handicapped Persons Program  
Policy Letter: G 01-0708

TO: All Special Care Center (SCC) Medical Directors and Staff

SUBJECT: Genetically Handicapped Person's Program (GHPP) Application Letters

The purpose of this policy letter is to inform the SCCs of GHPP's change in distribution of GHPP application letters. As part of the Budget Balancing Reductions proposed in the 2008 Governor's Budget, the GHPP eliminated three positions on July 1, 2008. The three positions included two case managers and one analyst. The duties of these positions have been absorbed through existing GHPP staff.

As a result of the loss of the above positions, GHPP is currently streamlining their work processes. Effective August 30, 2008 all new GHPP applicants will only receive one letter noting what is needed to complete their GHPP application process. For currently enrolled GHPP clients, they will also only receive one annual renewal letter noting what is needed to complete their renewal application process.

The GHPP is requesting your help in reminding and assisting new GHPP applicants and currently enrolled GHPP clients the importance of providing their application information on a timely basis.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this budget balancing reduction period. If you have any questions, please contact GHPP at (800) 639-0597.

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