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MEMORANDUM
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DATE: January 6, 2012
TO: All ISD and MAD Staff
FROM:  Ted Roth, Acting Director
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 Julie Weinberg, Director
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SUBJECT: Medicare Savings Programs (QMB/SLIMB/QI1) Closures

This IPP rescinds ISD IPP 10-10.

ISD IPP 10-10 allowed Medicare Savings Program (MSP) recertifications (categories 40 and 45) to automatically close after a three (3) month grace period. This three (3) month grace period will now be changed to one (1) month, effective with recertifications due March 2012.

Cases due for recertification in January 2012, that are not processed by January 31, 2012 will be closed with a benefit end date of February 29, 2012. The system uses closure code 533 for these closures. Recipients, who submit a recertification application and complete the recertification process before the last working day of February 2012, will have their benefits reinstated if determined eligible. Recertification applications submitted after the February 2012 end date will be treated as new applications.

The central MediSave processing unit will track and process recertifications for all MSP cases, except those cases that are combined with Institutional Care (IC), Home and Community Based Waiver, and Working Disabled Individuals (WDI) categories. Due to the limitations with ISD2, processing a separate MSP recertification has the potential of incorrectly affecting the IC medical care credit and WDI calculations.

ISD County Offices will remain responsible for timely recertifications of category 40 and 45 cases which are combined with categories 43, 81, 83, 84, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, and 96. Please keep in mind that when a MSP case closes, the individual may be removed from state Buy-In regardless of the status of other Medicaid categories.

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