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Dear Hospital CEO:

In response to the current COVID-19 health crisis, the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) is expanding the NJ FamilyCare (Medicaid) Presumptive Eligibility (PE) program to a new eligibility group – the Aged, Blind, or Disabled (ABD) population.

PE for ABD will ensure your facility is reimbursed for care provided to uninsured, low income elderly or disabled patients at your hospital, and will help them to transfer to a step-down facility or discharge to home with supportive services. This newly expanded PE program will provide much needed financial relief to hospitals throughout the State, such as yours, and will help reduce barriers to healthcare.

PE for ABD is self-attested, completed online by the hospital-based PE staff and could provide temporary comprehensive fee-for-service Medicaid coverage for up to 60 days or until a Medicaid determination is made. Medical care reimbursement will coincide with date of service for those eligible

Starting April 29, 2020, DMAHS will begin webinar trainings for PE Coordinators and staff. A separate communication will be sent directly to your PE Coordinator advising them of this new PE Program and the available training dates. It is imperative that they participate.

If you have any questions, please email the Medicaid Eligibility Processing Unit at: mahs.medicaideligprocessing@dhs.state.nj.us.

Thank you for your ongoing effort to support our most vulnerable population during this uncertain and critical time. We are with you in your fight to keep our residents healthy.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Langer Jacobs **Assistant Division Commissioner**