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INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: MEDICAID TERMINATION NOTICE FOR SSI RECIPIENTS

The Medicaid Termination Notice for SSI Recipients, MAD 324, dated 12/21/04 was mailed today. This late mailing will not allow the SSI recipients ample time to apply for continued Medicaid benefits under another program at the ISD office, as instructed on the notice. Certain SSI recipients who become ineligible are automatically extended Medicaid benefits for an additional month following the month in which the SSI cases were closed. The additional month of coverage is intended to allow the former SSI recipient time to apply for Medicaid under one of the other Medicaid categories. This would be January 2005. When application by a former SSI recipient for another Medicaid category occurs, the worker authorizes Medicaid coverage for the applicant for a second month. This would be February 2005. The second month of extended coverage allows the worker time to register the applications. Please follow policy outlined in Medicaid Extension 8.201.400.10 G.

The extended coverage for February can only be processed on the SDX during the first month of extension (January). Because of the late mailing of these notices, workers will not be able to process the second month of extended coverage on the SDX. However, if recipients apply for another Medicaid category in February, we must allow the extended coverage for February. Please submit a MAD 333 to Rita Baca, Medical Assistance Division, P.O. Box 2348, Santa Fe, NM 87504-2348 for eligibility in the month of February with a copy of the recipient's notice.

If there are any questions regarding this information, please contact Liz Martinez at <u>liz.martinez@state.nm.us</u> or (505) 476-6822 or Abran Gallegos, at <u>abran.gallegos@state.nm.us</u> or (505) 476-6815.