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TO: County Welfare Agency Directors

Statewide Eligibility Determination Agencies

Institutional Services Section (ISS) Area Supervisors

SUBJECT: Case Processing Clarification Regarding Face-to-Face Interviews

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) enacted certain provisions to case processing that apply to both family-related NJ FamilyCare programs as well as NJ FamilyCare Aged, Blind, Disabled (ABD) programs. As a result of these changes, federal regulations do not require face-to-face interviews for individuals who apply for or undergo a redetermination for any of the NJ FamilyCare programs, including ABD programs. As a result, applications may be submitted electronically (online) where available, via the mail, or in person without the need for a face-to-face interview.

Case processing procedures remain the same as outlined in Medicaid Communication 10-09 titled <u>Case Processing Time Limit Increase</u> (with the exception of the face-to-face interview as explained above). Detailed information about verification procedures, reasonable compatibility, and self-attestation guidelines are described in the Medicaid Communication 14-12 titled <u>Affordable Care Act Eligibility Information</u>.

If you have any questions regarding this Medicaid Communication, please refer them to the Division's Office of Eligibility Field Staff representative for your agency at 609-588-2556.

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