A Message to
Business Office Managers

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Administrators and Business Office Managers at AmeriHealth Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Centers in New Jersey

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SUBJECT: **Precertification Changes**

The purpose of this bulletin is to reinforce the information contained in Business Office Managers Memorandum, dated January 9, 2002, and entitled "Precertification Changes"

As stated in the January 9th Memorandum, the procedures identified no longer required precertification when performed in when performed in a Freestanding Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) setting. **These services will now require a separate referral from the PCP.**

The requirement for a separate referral for gastroenterolgy services performed in an ASC has been communicated to AmeriHealth participating PCPs, colorectal specialists, gastroenterologists and general surgeons.

If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Kimberly Lees-Pratt, Ancillary Coordinator at (856) 778-6652.