A Message to

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Memorandum

TO: AmeriHealth Participating Acute Care Hospitals in New Jersey

FROM: Kathleen Mariano
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SUBJECT: INTERIM BILLING OF INPATIENT HOSPITAL CLAIMS

Effective for admissions on and after June 1, 2005, AmeriHealth will no longer accept inpatient claims on an interim basis from acute care hospitals. After that date, inpatient claims submitted with bill types 112, Interim – first claim, 113, Interim – continuing claim, and 114, Interim – last claim in UB92 Form Locator (FL) 4 and/or Discharge Status 30, Still Patient in FL 22, will be rejected on your Statement of Remittance (SOR) advising you to submit the bill when the patient is discharged.

Please note that long-term care hospitals, physical rehabilitation hospitals and skilled nursing facilities are excluded from this directive and may continue to bill with a patient status of 30.

If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact your Hospital Service Coordinator or the Provider Relations Department at 856-778-6500.