DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Health Care Financing Administration

Center for Medicaid and State Operations 7500 Security Boulevard Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

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Dear State Medicaid Director:

This letter is to transmit the revised Form HCFA-416, the annual reporting form for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) services and accompanying instructions. This form was developed in consultation with the Medicaid Matemal and Child Health Technical Advisory Group and was approved by the Office of Management and Budget on June 30. As you know, section 1902(a)(43) requires states to report annually to the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) certain data about the delivery of EPSDT services. We believe this new form will assist HCFA and states to capture more reliable EPSDT data in both fee-for-service and managed care settings.

The major changes to the form and instructions are:

the use of each state s individual periodicity schedule to determine their participation and screening ratios;

the use of specific CPT codes in counting EPSDT screens; expanded data reporting on dental services; and a new reporting element on the number of screening blood lead tests provided to children under the age of 6.

The old Form HCFA-416 expired on March 31, 1998. This new form should be used for reporting data for the current fiscal year (October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999), which is due April 1, 2000. We are in the process of revising the appropriate sections of the State Medicaid Manual. If you have any questions regarding this information please contact Teresa Gardner at (410) 786-3289 or Cindy Ruff at

(410) 786-5916. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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