

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Medical Assistance

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Dear County Director of Social Services:

Re: Beneficiaries Notices

This letter is to inform county departments of social services that Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) has issued beneficiary notices. These notices were issued to beneficiaries found to be enrolled in both Marketplace coverage (advance payments of the premium tax credit (APTC) or income-based cost-sharing reductions (CSRs)), and Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program (North Carolina Health Choice).

Beneficiaries enrolled in Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (NCHC) coverage meeting minimum essential coverage (MEC) are ineligible for advance payments of the premium tax credit and for cost-sharing reductions.

• <u>Periodic Data Matching Notice</u>: beneficiaries identified as being enrolled in both Medicaid/NCHC and Marketplace coverage are directed to immediately end Market place coverage.

CMS plans to release the following notices to beneficiaries and stakeholders based on Marketplace enrollment attestations:

- **Failure to Reconcile (FTR) Warning Notice:** these notices will be issued to beneficiaries who have not filed 2014 tax returns. These notices warn that 2014 tax returns must be filed immediately or the household risks losing financial assistance for 2016.
- <u>2016 Employer Notice</u>: a sample employer notice to prepare stakeholders for the 2016 employer notice program. These notices will inform certain employers if an employee is enrolled in Marketplace coverage with financial assistance.

All of the above notices can be viewed at <u>https://marketplace.cms.gov/applications-and-forms/notices.html</u> .

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If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the Operational Support Team at **ost.policy.questions@dhhs.nc.gov**.

Sincerely,

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