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TO: Nursing Home Administrators

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NOTE: Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.

SUBJECT: DHMH 259 – Circumstances for Use

This transmittal revises Nursing Home Transmittal No. 208 regarding instructions for use of the DHMH 259. Instructions for using the DHMH 257 remain unchanged.

The DHMH 259 should be used only by facilities that have both nursing facility beds and chronic hospital beds (currently Levindale, Hopkins Bayview Geriatric Center, and Gladys Spellman), and only in cases where a recipient is moving between the nursing facility and chronic hospital units within the facility. Only the latest revision of this form (Rev. 12/00) should be used. Please do not submit earlier versions of the DHMH 259.

A DHMH 259 should not be submitted for recipients seeking Medicaid coverage after the expiration of Medicare coverage. Please note, however, that the DHMH 3871B must still be submitted to the Utilization Control Agent to establish medical eligibility for Medicaid benefits. Failure to request medical eligibility will result in denial or recovery of Medicaid payments.

If you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact the nursing facility staff specialist at 410-767-1736.