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MEMORANDUM

To: Health Officers
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Subject: **Fiscal Year 2012 Non-Chargeable List**

The Department has issued the Fiscal Year 2012 Non-Chargeable List (Attached). Please note that the Non-Chargeable List, pages 1 and 2, includes the following cancer screenings funded by the Cigarette Restitution Fund Program (CRFP) that **are non-chargeable for the following services regardless of client income and do not need to be billed to third party payers:**

- **Fecal Occult Blood Test (FOBT) kits (guaiac or immunochemical) for colorectal cancer screening**
- **Oral cancer screening and oral brush biopsy**
- **Skin cancer screening.**

Your programs should still focus on bringing low income, uninsured clients into screening, but these services are non-chargeable *regardless of income*, thereby simplifying enrollment by not having to ask about household income for eligibility.

Screening services for breast, cervical, prostate, and colorectal cancer using *other than* FOBT kits, are non-chargeable **for clients whose income is \leq 250% of the Federal Poverty Level** with the Additional Explanation that if the client has insurance, the service is “Chargeable to all third party payers.”

With the issuance of the FY12 Non-Chargeable List, each CRFP funded Cancer Prevention, Education, Screening, and Treatment program is advised to review their program’s enrollment and billing policies and procedures regarding the delivery of cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment, and case

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management services. Please note that implementation of this Non-Chargeable List requires that programs will bill an individual's insurance carrier(s) (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid, or private insurance) for breast, cervical, prostate, and colorectal cancer (other *than the FOBT*) screening services. Also, programs should make sure that they have applicable enrollment and billing procedures that include obtaining insurance information, billing insurers, and receiving an Explanation of Benefits before paying the additional amounts.

The new Non-Chargeable List is also available electronically at:

<http://www.dhmf.state.md.us/pca/pdf1/2011/FY12-NonChargeable-List-Revised-6-13-11.pdf>

If you have any questions in this regard, please feel free to contact me at 410-767-5123 or e-mail at bandrews@dhmf.state.md.us.

Attachment (sent electronically to CRF/CPEST Program Directors/Coordinators)

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