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To: All Providers in the SLS and CES Programs
From: Developmental Pathways, Inc.
Subject: Proposed Changes to the SLS/CES Medicaid Waivers

Dear Provider,

This letter is to provide you an update on proposed changes to the SLS/CES Medicaid Waivers. These changes may be effective as early as July 1, 2009. **THEY WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON YOUR BUSINESS AND MUST BE CONSIDERED AND ANALYZED BY YOU.**

The changes are now pending public comment and approval by state office of Health Care Policy and Finance (HCPF). Final approval must then be obtained from the federal Center for Medicare and Medicaid services (CMS). The deadline to make the changes is now assumed to be July 1, 2009 so Developmental Pathways, Inc. is working to be ready for that deadline. As soon as matters develop or become finalized or are delayed we will let you know. However, it is important your review the proposed change and consider them in your future plans.

The Division of Developmental Disabilities has done outreach to stakeholders via two teleconferences and a presentation earlier this month. For those of you unable to attend or call in, simply click [March 2009 Teleconference](#) and you will be able to view the presentation. While these slides provide objective information, there remain areas in which DDD will need to add clarity.

Since this process is ongoing we expect to have additional information and updated timetables to provide you in the future. As more information becomes available we will update you in a timely and responsible manner. You should note, however, that we fully expect the changes, when adopted, to have an impact on the rates that can be charged by providers and the hours of service that will be available for each client. You need to begin considering and planning for the impact of these changes on your business.

At this time it appears all providers will need a Medicaid provider number by July 1st, 2009. At this time, we encourage you to visit the HCPF website and review the application packets to become an approved Medicaid provider. There are two different packets: [Rendering Service Provider Application](#) for those individuals/organizations that will not be billing Medicaid directly and the [Standard Provider Application](#) for those that will be billing Medicaid directly.

Training sessions are offered to assist providers in completing the packet as well as explaining billing for services. We strongly encourage you to attend any and all of these classes that you may find beneficial. [March and April 2009 Training Schedule](#).

At this time, Developmental Pathways contemplates providing a billing service for those providers not wishing to bill Medicaid directly. However, there will be a charge for such service. The amount is yet to be determined.

We have provided this information to you because we want you to be as informed as possible in relation to the changes could be taking effect July 1, 2009 and your ongoing business relationship with Developmental Pathways Inc. Our information comes from the Division of Developmental Disabilities. Please review the information on your own. The link is ***What's New DDD***.

Developmental Pathways has established a hotline in which you can call and leave questions related to these changes. Please keep in mind that we are operating on the same information as you via DDD website, so if you can find the answers there, feel free to leave you question. Diligent efforts will be made to answer questions within 2 business days. The phone number is (303) 858-2027

Sincerely,

Developmental Pathways, Inc.