CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 16-06, COMMUNITY CARE OF NORTH CAROLINA/CAROLINA ACCESS

DATE: JULY 01, 2006

Manual: Aged, Blind and Disabled Medicaid
Change No: 16-06
To: County Directors of Social Services
Effective: July 1, 2006

I. Background

Requests for information and clarification on Community Care of North Carolina /Carolina Access from counties, recipients, and medical providers have been rapidly increasing. Guidelines for Carolina Access have been issued in administrative letters and subsequent interpretations. In an effort to provide the most current policy and guidance, DMA Administrative Letter 06-02, Addendas 1-4 and all interpretations have been incorporated into manual policy.

II. Changes

A. SouthCare Provider network has been the HMO provider in Mecklenburg County. On July 31, 2006 the contract with SouthCare will expire. There will be no HMO providers added. Therefore, the Medicaid HMO program will be terminated effective August 1, 2006.

   Mecklenburg County will use Public Consulting Group, (PCG) as the CCNC/CA contact for their county.

B. SSI notices with reference to SouthCare are changed to delete reference to SouthCare.

C. DMA Administrative Letter 06-02 and Addendas 1 – 4 are obsolete by this change notice.

III. Implementation

This policy is effective July 1, 2006. Apply this policy to applications and redeterminations in process.

IV. Maintenance of Manual

Insert: MA-2425, Community Care of North Carolina/Carolina Access, pages 1 through 21 and attachments 1-12 and figure 1 effective July 2006.

If you have any questions, please contact your Medicaid Program Representative.
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