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<Last Name>
<Address 1>
<Address 2>
<City>, <State>

Dear <Salutation 1>:

Welcome to the Maryland Healthy Kids Program.

The Maryland Health Choice and Acute Care Administration has accepted the recommendation for you to be a certified Healthy Kids/EPSTD provider effective <Cert Date>. As a certified provider, you meet all the qualifications and conditions for participation as described in the EPSTD regulations (COMAR 10.09.23).

If you are a member of a Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO), you agree to provide preventive-care services according to the Healthy Kids Program requirements to the under 21-year olds enrolled in your practice. All encounter data regarding delivery of Healthy Kids services must be reported to the MCO.

In addition, if your practice plans to serve under-21-year olds who are not enrollees of a MCO but who have a valid MA card, Healthy Kids Program services are required. For this population, Medical Assistance can be billed directly using the appropriate codes found in the Healthy Kids Manual (Refer to Billing Section).

The local health department administrative care coordinator for the Healthy Kids Program is available for outreach and home visiting services. Please call your local health department for further information.

Periodic changes in program requirements will be communicated via transmittals received from the Maryland Department of Health. These changes are to be implemented by your practice upon receipt of these transmittals.

Please notify me as soon as possible if you have practice changes that impact on your participation in the program, i.e. new location, hours, phone number, etc.

I am available to provide assistance with the implementation of the Healthy Kids Program in your practice. This includes on-site training, billing concerns, quality assurance and interpretation of the Program guidelines. In the interim, if you have questions or comments, or would like assistance, please call me at 410-767-1836.

Thank you for your willingness to provide preventive care services to Medical Assistance children, teens and young adults in your community.

Sincerely,

Nurse Consultant
Division of Healthy Kids

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MCO: AMERIGROUP Maryland, Inc., JAI Medical Systems, Inc., Kaiser Permanente Mid-Atlantic, Maryland Physicians Care, MedStar Family Choice, Priority Partners, United Health Care, Inc., UMMS Health Partners