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The Administrative Directive 98 OMM/ADM-3, entitled "Medicaid Referrals from the Child Health Plus Program", was issued in April. It indicated that Child Health Plus (CHPlus) insurers would soon begin to supply the Department with listings of children who recently obtained CHPlus coverage who appear to be financially eligible for Medicaid. Local districts were asked to send a DSS-2921-P and a cover letter to each household, inviting them to apply for Medicaid. This process is intended to be the first phase of a plan to meet one of the principal requirements of Title XXI, i.e., that all Medicaideligible children with CHPlus coverage be evaluated for Medicaid.

We anticipated sending out the first list in June, but the release of these lists was delayed. The Department recently transmitted lists which contain information received from the CHPlus insurers for the months of May, June, and July. Please note that not every local district will have received a list, since this process is dependent upon input from each insurer. However, if your county has received such a list, please begin the process outlined in the ADM.

Additional instructions will be forthcoming, as we continue to implement Title XXI requirements.