

NOTICE OF

APPROVED FOR MEDICAID

District Number

Phone Number

Date Mailed

Worker Number

This is to notify you that your children's _____ MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY _____ has been _____ ESTABLISHED _____.

THE FOLLOWING CHILD(REN) HAVE BEEN APPROVED:

LIST CHILDREN HERE*

THE CHILD(REN) ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING MONTHS:

****ELIGIBILITY PERIOD LISTED HERE *****

A partir del 1ero de Enero del 2006, si usted tiene hijos de 0 a 5 años de edad y están en el programa de Health Choice, sus hijos seguirán recibiendo los servicios de salud a través del programa de Medicaid. Usted recibirá una carta en español con más información en diciembre. Si desea más información llame a CARE-LINE 1-800-662-7030 de lunes a viernes de 8 AM a 5 PM., excepto en días festivos.

Your child/children are currently enrolled in NC Health Choice. The NC General Assembly passed legislation that will move children birth through 5, currently eligible for NC Health Choice, to the Health Check/Medicaid Program effective January 1, 2006. Your child will be insured continuously throughout this transition. You will not need to reapply for child health insurance again until the "end date" noted above.

The good news is that Health Check/Medicaid offers a rich package of benefits very similar in scope to Health Choice. The services are comprehensive and cover all medically necessary care including well and sick care, prescriptions, shots, dental, counseling, therapies & equipment, hospital care, and vision and hearing care.

You will receive a Medicaid card for your child in early January. You must take this card with you when you take your child for medical care or when you get prescriptions filled. And there are no enrollment fees or co-pays! After January 1, please destroy your Health Choice card. If you try to use it after December, payment for service will be denied. Let your child's health care provider know that he/she is now receiving Medicaid. When your child turns 6, he/she will be evaluated once again for Health Choice. This will be done by the local department of social services.

Medicaid has a managed care program called Carolina ACCESS. This means your child will have a medical home (primary care provider or PCP) who will coordinate your child's care and make sure your child receives any medical care needed. You can choose your child's PCP from a list of participating providers. Contact your caseworker at the county department of social services to ask for the list and to choose a PCP.

Questions? Call your local department of social services. Or you can call the CARE-LINE, Monday-Friday, except state holidays, by calling 1-800-662-7030 (English/Spanish) or 1-877-452-2514 (TTY for hearing impaired).

This change is due to a change in State law by the 2005 General Assembly, therefore an appeal is not allowed unless there is a factual issue regarding whether the change applies to you.