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To:	Vermont Medicaid Approved Border Nursing Facilities
FROM:	Adèle Edelman, DAIL Medicaid Waiver Manager Janet Paré, DCF/ESD
DATE:	March 25, 2008
RE:	Long Term Care Medicaid Protocol

Please find the protocol to use for admission of Vermont residents under Vermont Long Term Care Medicaid to approved border long term care facilities.

Since November of 2004, LTC Medicaid applicants who were admitted to an approved out-of-state border nursing facility were required to apply for Medicaid in that state.

Effective immediately a Vermont Medicaid applicant/recipient admitted to your facility does not have to apply for Medicaid in your state UNLESS they are denied Vermont Medicaid because they fail the Vermont residency requirement.

Applying for Vermont Long Term Care Medicaid (Choices for Care) is a two step process requiring clinical eligibility and financial eligibility. A Vermont resident must submit a Choices for Care program application to the closest Long Term Care Clinical Coordinator (list attached). Then, or at the same time, the individual must complete the Vermont Long Term Care Medicaid financial application. The financial application is to be submitted to the closest Department of Children and Family Services office (list attached).

If you have any questions, contact Janet Paré at (802)241-1204.

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