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MEMORANDUM

ACS M07-13B

Continuation of ACS M07-13 and ACS M07-13A

TO: Medicaid Physicians, Dentists, Physician Assistants, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Optometrists, Medicaid Participating Hospital Emergency Rooms, Other Providers with Prescribing Authority and Pharmacy Providers

FROM: Lois Lee, Acting Med-QUEST Division Administrator

SUBJECT: FEE-FOR-SERVICE (FFS) PROGRAM ONLY

REVISION: PRESCRIBERS NEED TAMPER-RESISTANT PRESCRIPTION PAPER (TRPP) TO USE, EFFECTIVE: APRIL 1, 2008

On Saturday, September 29, 2007, President George W. Bush signed Bill H.R. 3668* into law cited as "TMA, Abstinence Education, and QI Programs Extension Act of 2007". Under the new law, the implementation date for all written Medicaid prescriptions must be on tamper-resistant prescription pads as of **April 1, 2008**, which enables a 6 month delay.

Amended Section 7002 (b) of the United States Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act of 2007 now states effective: **April 1, 2008**, all written prescriptions will only be reimbursable if on a TRPP for Medicaid FFS outpatient drugs.

The website www.himed-questffs.org has more information such as links to: TRPP Summary, Printers Approved by Medi-Cal (California Medicaid), Provider Memorandum M07-13 dated August 30, 2007, Provider Memorandum M07-13A dated September 24, 2007, etc.

If you have questions regarding this memo or Medicaid drug claims processing, please contact Affiliated Computer Services Pharmacy Benefits Manager (ACS PBM) Call Center at 1 (877) 439-0803.

*Bill H.R. 3668, Sec. 5. 6-month delay in requirement to use tamper-resistant prescription pads under Medicaid.