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**MEMORANDUM** 

MEMO NO. ACS 11-07

TO:

Pharmacy (FFS) Providers

FROM:

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Med-QUEST Division Administrator

SUBJECT:

STATE PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SPAP)

The SPAP program will be discontinued effective July 1, 2011.

SPAP, also referred to as Smooth Transitions, is a state-only funded program that covers the Medicare Part D prescription drug co-payments for low-income individuals. Claims were submitted to the Med-QUEST Division's fiscal agent, ACS, for payment.

Beginning on July 1, 2011, any individual with a Smooth Transitions card will be responsible for paying the Medicare Part D prescription drug co-payments. Claims should not be submitted for Medicare Part D prescription drug co-payments to either ACS or QUEST Expanded Access.

QUEST Expanded Access will continue to cover non-Medicare Part D prescription drugs; the discontinuation of SPAP will not change this.

Thank you for your understanding. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Medicaid Pharmacy Benefit Manager toll-free at 1-877-439-0803.