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INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: **INCREASE IN CO-PAYMENTS – WORKING DISABLED INDIVIDUALS (WDI) PROGRAM**

Effective June 1, 2004, all recipients currently on the Working Disabled Individuals (WDI) program (Category of Eligibility 043) will have slightly higher co-payments for medical services. ACS, Medicaid's fiscal agent, will send out a notice in the next week to all current WDI recipients with the new co-payment amounts that they will be charged for services and prescriptions. This notice tells the recipient to call the Medicaid hot line or their Income Support Division worker if they have questions.

Changes have already been made to the AVRS and pharmacy system to accommodate the new amounts.

Attached is a copy of the notice for your reference.

If you have questions concerning this GI, please contact Rebecca Schwarz at (505) 476-6818 or by e-mail at Rebecca.Schwarz@state.nm.us.

DATE:

**New Mexico Human Services Department
Medicaid**

****IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION****

Dear Working Disabled Individual Program Member:

(Por la versión en español de esta carta llama 1-888-997-2583)

Beginning June 1, 2004 you will be charged more each time you visit the doctor or fill a prescription.

Your new co-payment amounts will be as follows:

- \$7.00 for a doctor's visit, urgent care or vision visit
- \$7.00 for outpatient therapy and behavioral health services
- \$20.00 for emergency room services
- \$30.00 for inpatient hospital services
- \$7.00 for a visit to the dentist
- \$5.00 for a prescription

Native Americans are exempt from co-payments.

After you have paid the maximum amount of co-payments based on your gross income, you will not be required to make co-payments for the rest of the year. Keep all of your receipts for co-payments that you have paid to prove that you have met the maximum.

If you have questions, you may call your caseworker in your local Income Support Division office or call 1-888-997-2583 and ask to speak with someone in the Working Disabled Individual program.