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To: ESRDs

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Subject: HCFA Interpretation of 42 CFR 405.2137(a)(1) and 405.2102(f)(1)(2)

The Health Care Financing Administration has mailed our office the following program letters which provide clarification of two federal ESRD regulations. In order to keep you informed of HCFA's interpretation of these requirements, a copy of each program letter is enclosed.

- 91-07. This program letter provides information on two acceptable means for meeting the requirement at 45 CFR 405.2137(a)(1) that a transplant surgeon participate in the development and annual review of each end-stage renal disease patient's long-term program.
- 91-21. This program letter clarifies a statement made in program letter 91-07 regarding who the transplant surgeon can designate to participate in the patient's long-term program.
- 91-22. This program letter clarifies the qualifications of a medical social worker in ESRD facilities (CFR 405.2102(f)(1)(2)).

If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Schlough, Chief, Facilities Need Analysis Section, at (608) 266-3878.

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Enclosure

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