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MEDICAID DRUG REBATE PROGRAM

Release Number 50

*** * * IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED * * ***

NOTE TO: All State Medicaid Directors

LABELER TERMINATION

Cetus Oncology signed a rebate agreement for labeler codes 00702 and 53905. We were informed by the Food and Drug Administration that labeler code 00702 was initially issued to and continues to be assigned to Voluntary Hospitals of America located in Irving, Texas.

Therefore, labeler code 00702 is being dropped from the drug rebate program effective April 1, 1995. Cetus Oncology has been notified of this termination action and that they will continue to be responsible for paying rebates for all drugs purchased by State Medicaid agencies for labeler code 00702 through March 31, 1995.

LABELER CODE CLARIFICATION

In our release number 48, we generated incorrect information concerning the addition of another drug company for American Pharmacal. The correct labeler code for American Pharmacal's new drug company is 00353 not 60574. Labeler code 60574 belongs to MedImmune.

In our release number 49, our clarification concerning this situation transposed numbers and identified labeler code 60754 as

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the incorrect labeler code. Labeler code 60754 is a number that is not part of the drug rebate program.

We apologize for the confusion contained in both notices.

NEW LABELER

The following labeler code has entered into a drug rebate agreement and will join the rebate program on July 1, 1995:

IOMED Laboratories, Incorporated (Labeler Code 61646).

Please continue to contact us with your drug rebate questions by using the Drug Rebate hotline at (410) 966-3249.

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