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MEDICAID DRUG REBATE PROGRAM
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**For State Medicaid
Directors**

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**REMINDER – HCFA TAPE NO LONGER CONTAINS PHS COVERED
ENTITIES**

Beginning with the 1Q2001 tape, there will not be a file containing a list of PHS covered entities. To obtain this data you must access HRSA's website, www.hrsa.gov/odpp. Notice of this change was previously given in Release Number 101, dated September 14, 2000.

REMINDER – ROUNDING OF UNIT REBATE AMOUNT (URA)

As stated in Release Number 100, dated July 11, 2000, the state tape now will contain URAs which are calculated to the 5th decimal place, rounded to the 4th, and have zeros pad positions 5 and 6. This change is effective with the 1Q2001 tape due to states around May 15.

DELETION OF NDC'S FROM HCFA TAPE

The following NDCs have been deleted from the HCFA tape beginning with the 1Q2001. These NDCs, belonging to Major Pharmaceuticals (labeler code 00904), are vitamins which **are not rebatable**. Please do not invoice the labeler for these items.

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| 0262-60 | 2630-70 |
| 0631-80 | 2641-13 |
| 2166-52 | 4347-60 |
| 2166-60 | 5436-60 |
| 2166-80 | 7590-24 |
| 2630-60 | 7590-82 |

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NEW LABELERS

| <u>Labeler Name/Labeler Code</u> | <u>Mandatory Coverage Date</u> | <u>Optional Coverage Date</u> |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Watson Pharma, Inc. (Labeler Code 00591) | 07/01/2001 | 03/29/2001 |
| Aaron Industries, Inc. (Labeler Code 49580) | 07/01/2001 | 03/25/2001 |
| InKine Pharmaceuticals (Labeler Code 61607) | 07/01/2001 | 03/06/2001 |
| Dex Gen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Labeler Code 65430) | 07/01/2001 | |
| 03/05/2001 | | |

Contact information for these new labelers is attached for your convenience.

TERMINATED LABELERS

The following labelers are being terminated effective July 1, 2001:

Sanofi-Synthelabo Inc. (Labeler Code 00563);
Roberts Pharmaceutical Corporation (Labeler Code 43797);
Swiss American Products, Inc. (Labeler Code 60232); and

Nard Laboratories, Inc. (Labeler Code 61123).

The following labelers are being voluntarily terminated effective July 1, 2001:

Stuart Pharmaceuticals, (Labeler Code 00038);
Apotex-Major (Labeler Code 61147);
Algos Pharmaceutical Corp. (Labeler Code 64813); and
CutisPharma (Labeler Code 65628).

OTHER ATTACHMENTS

A copy of the topic index and a current listing of the 90-day treasury bill auction rates beginning with the period January 3, 2000, is attached.

Please remember to direct your drug rebate questions to a staff member listed in section “O” of the Medicaid Drug Rebate Operational Training Guide.

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3 Attachments

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All State Drug Rebate Technical Contacts
All Regional Administrators