## STATE OF CONNECTICUT



## INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

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TO: All insurance companies and health care centers licensed to write health insurance

in Connecticut

RE: Public Act 97-99, An Act Concerning Managed Care

Public Act 97-99, recently signed into law by the Governor, establishes a system for the regulation of managed care organizations and managed care plans. The bill affects managed care plans delivered, issued for delivery, renewed or continued in Connecticut on or after October 1, 1997.

A "managed care organization", as defined in the act means "an insurer, health care center, hospital or medical service corporation or other organization delivering, issuing for delivery, renewing or amending any individual or group health managed care plan in this state".

A "managed care plan" as defined means "a product offered by a managed care organization that provides for the financing or delivery of health care services to persons enrolled in the plan through:(A) Arrangements with selected providers to furnish health care services; (B) explicit standards for the selection of participating providers; (C) financial incentives for enrollees to use the participating providers and procedures provided for by the plan; or (D) arrangements that share risk with providers, provided the organization offering a plan described under subparagraph (A), (B), (C) of (D) of this subdivision is licensed by the Insurance Department pursuant to chapter 698, 698a or 700 of the general statutes and that the plan includes utilization review pursuant to sections 38a-226d to 38a-226d, inclusive, of the general statutes, as amended by this act".

The first step needed to implement certain provisions of this act is to determine which carriers offer managed care plans. Please complete the enclosed certification form indicating whether your company offers managed care plans (as defined above) in Connecticut. The certification must be signed by an officer of the company and returned to the Department no later than June 27, 1997.

A copy of Public Act 97-99 may be obtained by contacting the Insurance Department web site at http://www.state.ct.us/cid or by calling (860) 297-3862.

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