TO:       Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: AIDS: AIDS Health Insurance Brochure

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment I: Brochure (not available on-line)

In 91 LCM-141, you were advised of 1991 State legislation establishing a Health Insurance Continuation Program for Persons with AIDS (AIDS Health Insurance Program). Under this program, Medicaid can pay health insurance premiums for certain persons with AIDS or HIV-Related Illness whose household incomes are above the Medicaid eligibility level, but at or below 185 percent of the official federal poverty line.

To increase awareness of the program and to assist persons in applying for benefits, the Department has developed an English/Spanish brochure briefly describing the program, the eligibility criteria, and the application process. A copy of this brochure is attached.

You will be receiving a predetermined number of brochures in a separate mailing from the Department. If you need additional copies, you may reproduce the brochure, or, request a supplementary supply from the Office of Administrative Support Services, Forms and Publications Unit, in your usual manner. Orders should include the title of the brochure.

I hope you will find the brochures useful. If you have any questions, please contact Bobbi Krusik of my staff at 1-800-342-3715, extension 3-5562, or (518) 473-5562.

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