

TO: All Providers

FROM: CareFirst of Maryland, Inc.

DATE: September 5, 2002

**SUBJECT: Modification of Audit and Cost Report Settlement
Expectations in Change Request 1468**

(This information modifies the policies in Transmittal A-01-141 pertaining to PS&R Data Reports.)

Program Memorandum A-01-141 states that the Provider Reimbursement Manual, Part 2, directs providers to use the information contained in the Provider Statistical and Reimbursement (PS&R) report to prepare their Medicare cost report. This instruction is being modified to remove any inference that the provider must use only the PS&R to prepare a cost report. Providers may report settlement data in a cost report according to the options detailed in Form CMS-339 Medicare Provider Cost Report Reimbursement Questionnaire (i.e., use the PS&R only, use the PS&R for totals and the provider records for allocation, or use the provider records only).

Any questions should be directed to your CareFirst of Maryland, Inc., Medicare Part A Audit representative.

Source: Program Memorandum A-02-081; Change Request 2300

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