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TRANSMITTAL LETTER HHA-32
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TO: Home Health Agencies Participating in MassHealth
FROM: Wendy E. Warring, Commissioner
RE: *Home Health Agency Manual*

This letter transmits revisions to the *Home Health Agency Manual*. The revisions allow home health providers to submit claims to MassHealth before obtaining a physician's signature in the plan of care as long as the provider has obtained a physician's verbal order, and as long as all of the stated requirements are met. The physician signature must be on each 60-day plan of care either before the claim is submitted or within 45 days after submitting a claim for that period. The physician must sign all plans of care.

These regulations are effective May 1, 2002.

NEW MATERIAL

(The pages listed here contain new or revised language.)

Home Health Agency Manual

Pages 4-7 and 4-8

OBSOLETE MATERIAL

(The pages listed here are no longer in effect.)

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Pages 4-7 and 4-8 — transmitted by Transmittal Letter HHA-29