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Hello:

The 2013 Mcare Assessment Manual ("Manual") is intended to assist in calculating Mcare assessments for 2013. This Manual addresses many of the aspects of the applicable law and regulations related to assessment calculations; it is not intended to be exhaustive or inclusive of all possible situations. Users of this Manual are encouraged to access the Pennsylvania Insurance Department's website at <http://www.insurance.pa.gov> for additional information about Mcare, as well as Act 13 of 2002 and its attendant rules and regulations. This manual does not supersede Pennsylvania law and regulations. *This Manual should be read in its entirety.*

During 2012, many of you participated, by your input and cooperation, in endeavors that will result in improvements to Mcare operations, throughout 2013, including the remittance process. Effective January 1, 2013, for all submissions regardless of the assessment year you will notice the following:

- Removal of the requirement to submit a hardcopy 216 when submitting an electronic 216 (e-216)
- An enhanced header area on the e-216 which, when used properly, tracks a carrier's credit.

We expect carriers, remitting to Mcare, will find these changes to be more expedient and result in savings of time, paper and postage.

There are other requested improvements we would like to share with you before implementation. To that end, we are planning a Carriers' Meeting in early 2013. A detailed meeting invitation will follow within the next few weeks. If you want to ensure that you are on the distribution list to receive an invitation to the Carrier's Meeting, please send your contact information to ra-in-mcare-exec-web@pa.gov immediately.

Sincerely,

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