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TO:

Public Mental/Health System

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RE:

2Ø11 Consumer Perception of Care (CPOC) Pre-Notification Letters

DATE:

March 7, 2011

The 2011 CPOC pre-notification letters were mailed on March 4, 2011. In accordance with the Institutional Review Board (IRB), the letters contained instructions about the phone survey, how to opt-out and how to schedule a convenient time to participate. These letters were addressed to 16,000 consumers (8,000 adults and 8,000 child/caregivers) who received a service from the Maryland Public Mental Health System in the calendar year 2010.

Should the consumers or their families who receive the pre-notification letters have any questions they may use the following contact information:

- To opt-out or schedule a convenient time to participate they may call 1-800-895-3228.
- To ask questions about the survey they may call Jarrell Pipkin, Director of Quality Management for ValueOptions® Maryland, at 410-691-4012.
- To ask questions about their rights as research participants they may call Gay Hutchen, Administrator of the IRB, at 410-767-8448.
- To ask questions about the mental health services they received they may call ValueOptions® Maryland at 1-800-888-1965.