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MEMORANDUM

TO: Referral Sources
FROM: Katherine Hudson, Home Care Program Manager
DATE: September 4, 2009
RE: Restricted Intake

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The Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs issued the following statement today:

“The Home Care Program is currently enrolling applicants who have the most critical needs. Elders who are receiving hospice services, are at risk for nursing facility admission, or are the victim of abuse or neglect will be enrolled immediately. Elders who do not meet one of these criteria will be enrolled in the Home Care Program based on needs as capacity becomes available. The Executive Office of Elder Affairs will closely monitor program capacity to ensure that elders begin receiving services as soon as possible. Elders who are not able to be immediately enrolled will receive ongoing assessment from their local Aging Services Access Point as well as community resource assistance such as meals on wheels. Elders currently receiving services will continue to do so.”

We urge you to continue to refer elders so that we may begin providing services as soon as EOEA directs us to move consumers off of the waiting list.

We will send further information and more details in the near future.