Billing for Final Accounts on Cases Referred before January 1, 1999

As you know, LSS moved to a new billing system (CMS) in January 1999. This system is used to process all billings for cases referred to you since that date. An easy way to distinguish old accounts from new ones is that the new CMS file numbers have 7 digits and begin with a 2. Our former system is still used to process billings for cases referred to you prior to 1999.

One of the principal reasons for creating a new billing system is that our previous system was not Year 2000 compliant (Y2K). Because there will still be a number of incomplete cases that were referred before CMS, we are temporarily modifying CMS to accommodate these older accounts. However, these billings will be processed more quickly if we can process them through our former system before 2000. For this reason, we encourage you to submit these older accounts for **CONCLUDED CASES ONLY**, where feasible as soon as possible. Our cutoff is currently set for October 1, 1999.

In September a further Notice will be sent providing you with instructions regarding those older cases which are not concluded before the end of the year. It is our intention to have you bill those cases on our new CMS billing forms.

If you have any questions about this Notice, please call our Tariff Helpdesk at (604) 601-6155.

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