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TO: ALL JOB CORPS NATIONAL OFFICE SENIOR STAFF
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SUBJECT: Updated List of Recommended Medications for Job Corps Centers

1. Purpose. To provide Job Corps healthcare providers with an updated list of cost-effective alternatives to high-cost medications used by Job Corps centers. The list provides medications that are frequently used by contracted healthcare providers to treat Job Corps students.
2. Background. The list of recommended medications available from the Department of Health and Human Services Medical Supply Catalog (Perry Point) has been updated. The list recommends standard medications, including psychotropic and oral agents, available via Perry Point at cost-effective rates. The list is particularly helpful in purchasing expensive, psychotropic medications used to treat mental health conditions.

The list of recommended medications has been updated with the use of the 2002 version of the Perry Point catalog. As a result of the update, the list of recommended medications will correspond with the medication needs on Job Corps centers. The attachment provides the updated list of recommended medications.

3. Action. Although use of the attached list is not exclusively mandated for Job Corps centers, health professionals are encouraged to examine it and identify recommended medications that can be used to treat illnesses on center. Many medications that are currently used on Job Corps centers, or comparable alternatives, can be obtained from the Perry Point catalog at cost-effective prices. The use of the catalog to obtain medications is not mandatory, but it is suggested to help control the high costs of medications and to reduce the disparity in medications used to treat illnesses at different Job Corps centers.

4. Expiration Date. December 31, 2003.

5. Inquiries. Direct inquiries to Barbara Grove, RN, at (202) 693-3116, or e-mail to Bgrove@doleta.gov.

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