

**NOTIFICATION OF CLIENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION
IN THE HEALTH INSURANCE CONTINUATION PROGRAM (HICP) OF GEORGIA**

I, _____, am applying for assistance with payment of my health insurance premiums under the Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) Health Insurance Continuation Program (HICP). **I understand that I am responsible for my premium payments in full until DPH approves my HICP application and sends me notification. It will take a minimum of 30 days for my completed application/recertification to be processed by DPH; however, the process may take longer if completed documentation is not received and my application is returned to the enrolling agency.** With increased HICP enrollment, applications should be submitted at least 30 days prior to the payment due date and/or recert due date. Should there be a lapse in payment, I understand that I am responsible for remittance directly to the insurance company/COBRA Administrator. **I also understand that failure to pay my insurance premiums until DPH has approved my application for the HICP may result in the loss of my insurance coverage.**

I understand that the maximum allowable monthly premium amount under the guidelines of the HICP is **\$1,788.00**. My current insurance premium is \$ _____ per month.

I understand that it is my responsibility to provide regular monthly or quarterly billing statements to DPH to process accurate premium payments. Failing to provide billing statements may lead to termination of my policy. DPH will not be responsible for inaccurate premium payments sent to the insurance company or administrator.

I understand that it is my responsibility to maintain regular contact with my insurance company/COBRA Administrator and **report any changes** to my case manager as soon as I am aware of them.

I understand that if I receive a refund from the insurance company or COBRA administrator due to the termination of my policy, I must return it immediately to my enrolling agency to be forwarded to DPH **to avoid future denial for eligibility or possible legal actions.**

I understand and have been informed by my case manager that **if** I am accepted into the HICP, it is my responsibility to apply for recertification annually to continue to receive HICP benefits.

I understand that by signature of this form that I am waiving any responsibility or liability of the enrolling agency and the Georgia DPH Health Insurance Continuation Program and its staff for any loss of insurance or undue financial burden that I may experience as a result of this process. I also understand that the enrolling agency is not responsible for the approval of any HICP application and that the HICP is solely governed and administered by the DPH. I understand that this form is a DPH document to verify that I have been duly informed of my responsibilities if I am accepted into the HICP. I am aware that the signature on this form in no way guarantees approval of my application or recertification for the HICP.

Client Name: _____ Client ID#: _____

Client Signature Date

Case Manager Date

Enrolling Agency: _____