## OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: SIMMONS

TELL

FROM: RILEY

SUBJECT: CHIP: APPROVAL OF ZERO WAITING PERIOD

**DATE:** 10/5/2000

CC: BOYD

FILE

We have received notification that the federal government has approved our request for a zero waiting period for CHIP applicants. Boyd anticipates that this is effective immediately, but we are waiting on Medicaid to fax us a copy of the signed notification letter. Lisa will be coordinating a press conference for the Governor to announce the zero waiting period. At this point, we expect the press conference to be tomorrow, but will let you know definitively ASAP. Boyd said that you can anticipate phone calls on this matter immediately after the press conference.