

1 **Emergency Resolution #1**

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4 **Whereas** NJ Medicaid has expanded to cover
5 more people through the managed care
6 companies,

7 **Whereas** many of these people are patients
8 of ours whom suffer from diabetes mellitus,

9 **Whereas** these diabetic patients need to use
10 a variety of insulins via pen devices which
11 improve adherence to treatment plans,

12 **Whereas** the Medicaid managed care
13 companies have made it a policy not to cover
14 the pen devices even for patients that are
15 already controlled using this devices causing
16 them to have to return to vial and syringes,

17 **Whereas** diabetes is epidemic in NJ and
18 leads to many comorbid conditions and

19 complications which lead to a higher cost of
20 health care, therefore be it

21 **RESOLVED** that the NJAFP stand in solidarity
22 with our Medicaid diabetic patients by
23 sending a strong letter to the Medicaid
24 managed company CEOs, the Commissioners
25 of Dept. of Health and HHS and the Director
26 of Medicaid advocating for unrestricted
27 coverage of all diabetic pen devices.

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