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To: Our Valued Caregiver Institutions

From: Rona E. Kramer, Secretary

The Maryland Department of Aging (“MDoA”) is excited to announce the launch of its statewide Durable Medical Equipment (“DME”) Reuse Program.

Many residents of Maryland require the use of durable medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers, bathroom aids, and other assistive devices, in order to maintain their safety and mobility. Often the cost of this equipment is a serious burden, not only to uninsured residents, but also to insured residents whose insurance will not approve the equipment needed or whose approval is delayed. To address this need, MDoA has developed this innovative program to provide durable medical equipment to Maryland residents. The program will serve Marylanders with any illness, injury, or disability, regardless of age, at no cost. All donations will be sanitized, refurbished and redistributed to the public free of charge. This service will improve the mobility, quality of life, and employment opportunities for many Maryland residents.

The DME Reuse Program can only operate with the assistance of your donations. Not only will you be improving someone’s world through your donation, but you will also be dramatically improving the environment by diverting DME from landfill. With your donation, please feel free to advertise your institution’s participation in this community and environmentally-conscious service.

- When:** **DME donations accepted beginning 8/11/2020**
- What:** **Wheelchairs, power chairs, walkers, rollators, shower chairs, and more!**
- Where:** **New Maryland DME Warehouse - 11701 Crain Highway, Cheltenham, MD 20623**
Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Please Call in advance of donating. DME pickup available under certain circumstances.
Additional donation and distribution centers will be opening statewide in the coming months.

For more information please call 240-230-8000, email DME.MDOA@maryland.gov or visit aging.maryland.gov.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this groundbreaking program.

Sincerely,

Rona E. Kramer

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