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**TO:** Local District Commissioners, Medicaid Directors

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**SUBJECT:** Medicaid Coverage for Justice Involved Youth

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Immediately

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This General Information System (GIS) message is to instruct Upstate local departments of social services (LDSS) on how to suspend Medicaid coverage for Justice Involved Youth. GIS 22 MA/08 "Suspension of Medicaid for Justice Involved Youth," informed local social services districts that effective January 1, 2023, applicable justice involved youth, who are admitted to an OCFS secure, or limited secure facility will have their Medicaid coverage suspended upon notification of incarceration. This GIS clarifies how to suspend Medicaid for justice involved youths in Upstate WMS only.

Due to edits in Upstate WMS, the following steps are necessary in facilitating the suspension of justice involved youth. When local district staff get to Screen 2, they must input SCR code = "1," and where the Department Identification Number (DIN) will be required enter "00A0000." For justice involved youths under the age of 19, the local district staff must use category code "09." This will create an "0343" error that the local district staff should accept and leave in error status. The local district staff should notify their district liaison, who will then notify WMS Help and WMS staff will make the correction.

Please direct any questions regarding this GIS message to your local district support liaison.