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TO: County Welfare Agency (CWA) Directors

NJ FamilyCare Liaisons Medicaid Only Liaisons

Statewide Eligibility Determination Agency

Institutional Services Section (ISS) Area Supervisors Medicare Savings Program (MSP)/SLMB/QI Supervisors

SUBJECT: Increased Income Eligibility Standards

The Federal Poverty Level (FPL) guidelines for 2012 were announced on January 26, 2012 by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and made available online via the electronic version of the Federal Register. Attached are the new income standards for the New Jersey Care...Special Medicaid Programs and NJ FamilyCare. These new standards are retroactively effective January 1, 2012 for both programs.

The County Welfare Agency (CWA) and the Institutional Services Section (ISS) offices shall immediately review all cases that would otherwise have been terminated from the aged, blind, or disabled segment of the New Jersey Care...Special Medicaid Programs as a result of any income increases. No action is required for those cases that remain eligible under the new income standards. Any of the continued cases that are not eligible under the new standards shall be terminated no later the April 30, 2012. Adverse action requirements must be met.

Because these standards are retroactively effective to January 1, 2012, the CWA and statewide eligibility determination agency shall also review all applicable NJ FamilyCare cases determined ineligible after January 1, 2012 using the former standards. These cases should be re-evaluated for eligibility under the new standards. It is important that any Plan A case found to be eligible shall be accreted to the eligibility file with an effective date of January 1, 2012, or the date of application, whichever is later.

Additionally, if your eligibility agency is aware of any current NJ FamilyCare Plan B cases that may now qualify for Plan A coverage as a result of the increase in the FPL, your staff is asked to re-evaluate eligibility for Plan A coverage, retroactive to January

1, 2012. Please be sure to advise the beneficiary of the change in coverage and change in Medicaid Eligibility Identification Number, when applicable.

If you have any questions regarding this Medicaid Communication, please refer them to the Division's Office of Eligibility Policy field service staff for your agency at 609-588-2556.

Sincerely,

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Family	Family Size AFDC Medicaid		Children/ Pregnant Women		Children/ Pregnant Women A			_	_	t Women
							Children B		and Children Under	
	(July 16,1996) Plan A		A Up to 100% of the Poverty Level		Parents I/D Up to 133% of the Poverty Level		Recipient Parents D Up to 150% of the Poverty Level		the Age of 1 Up to 185% of the Poverty Level	
	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	\$2,220	\$185	\$11,170	\$ 931	\$14,857	\$ 1,239	\$16,755	\$1,397	\$20,665	\$1,723
2	4,428	369	15,130	1,261	20,123	1,677	22,695	1,892	27,991	2,333
3	5,316	443	19,090	1,591	25,390	2,116	28,635	2,387	35,317	2,944
4	6,084	507	23,050	1,921	30,657	2,555	34,575	2,882	42,643	3,554
5	6,804	567	27,010	2,251	35,924	2,994	40,515	3,377	49,969	4,165
6	7,488	624	30,970	2,581	41,191	3,433	46,455	3,872	57,295	4,775
7	8,124	677	34,930	2,911	46,457	3,872	52,395	4,367	64,621	5,386
8	8,736	728	38,890	3,241	51,724	4,311	58,335	4,862	71,947	5,996
Each Add.	624	50	3,960	330	5,267	439	5,940	495	7,326	611

Family Size	Pregnant Women A Children C Recipient Parents D		Children D		Children D		Children D	
	Up to 200% of the Poverty Level		Up to 250% of the Poverty Level		Up to 300% of the Poverty Level		Up to 350% of the Poverty Level	
	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	\$22,340	\$1,862	\$27,925	\$2,328	\$33,510	\$2,793	\$39,095	\$3,258
2	30,260	2,522	37,825	3,153	45,390	3,783	52,955	4,413
3	38,180	3,182	47,725	3,978	57,270	4,773	66,815	5,568
4	46,100	3,842	57,625	4,803	69,150	5,763	80,675	6,723
5	54,020	4,502	67,525	5,628	81,030	6,753	94,535	7,878
6	61,940	5,162	77,425	6,453	92,910	7,743	108,395	9,033
7	69,860	5,822	87,325	7,278	104,790	8,733	122,255	10,188
8	77,780	6,482	97,225	8,103	116,670	9,723	136,115	11,343
Each Add.	7,920	660	9,900	825	11,880	990	13,860	1,155

Adults/Couples without Dependent Children

NJ FamilyCare

Family Size	WFNJ/General Assistance Plan G							
	Annual	Monthly	Resources					
1	\$1,680	\$140*	\$2,000					
2	2,316	193*	2,000					
100% FPL Plan H								
1	\$11,170							
2	15,130	1,261						

^{*210/\$289} for unemployable

New Jersey Care

Family Size	Aged, Blind, & Disabled 100% of Poverty Level Plan A							
	Annual Monthly Ro		Resources					
1	\$11,170	\$931	\$4,000					
2	15,130	1,261	6,000					
NJ WorkAbility (250% FPL) Plan A								
1	\$27,925	\$2,328	\$20,000					
2	37,825	3,153	30,000					
Breast & Cervical (250% FPL) Plan A								
1	\$27,925	\$2,328						
2	37,825	3,153						

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