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TO: N J Community Action Agencies

AFFECTED PROGRAM: Community Services Block Grants – Non Discretionary

SUBJECT: State Establishment of Organizational Standards for CSBG Eligible Entities under 678B of the CSBG Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 9914)

POLICY SUMMARY: In this policy, the Office of Community Action, Division of Housing and Community Resources of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (“Office”) adopts the “Organizational Standards for CSBG Eligible Entities under 678B of the CSBG Act” developed by the OCS-supported CSBG Organizational Standards Center of Excellence, and contained in Information Memorandum Transmittal No. 138 (1/26/15). These standards shall apply to all New Jersey CSBG eligible entities effective with FY16 funding, and the entities will be assessed annually for their compliance by a method and a schedule to be described in the then current State Plan. In situations where an eligible entity does not meet a standard or set of standards, the Office’s response may include, but not be limited to, provision of training, technical assistance, establishment of a quality improvement plan or a reduction or termination of funding. Any reduction or termination of funding must comply with the procedures mandated by CSBG Information Memorandum No. 116 (5/1/12) (See also, Program Policy Bulletin #14-04).

