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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 2013 were announced on January 24, 2013 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, 2013 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 than April 30, 2013. Adverse action requirements must be met.

Because these standards are retroactively effective to January 1, 2013, the CWA and Statewide Eligibility Determination Agency shall also review all applicable NJ FamilyCare cases determined ineligible after January 1, 2013, where the former standards were used. 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, 2013, 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

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1, 2013. 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 Size	AFDC Medicaid (July 16,1996) Plan A		Children/ Pregnant Women A Up to 100% of the Poverty Level		Children/ Pregnant Women A Parents I/D Up to 133% of the Poverty Level		Children B Recipient Parents D Up to 150% of the Poverty Level		Pregnant Women and Children Under 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	\$11,490	\$ 958	\$15,282	\$ 1,274	\$17,235	\$1,437	\$21,257	\$1,772
2	4,428	369	15,510	1,293	20,629	1,720	23,265	1,939	28,694	2,392
3	5,316	443	19,530	1,628	25,975	2,165	29,295	2,442	36,131	3,011
4	6,084	507	23,550	1,963	31,322	2,611	35,325	2,944	43,568	3,631
5	6,804	567	27,570	2,298	36,669	3,056	41,355	3,447	51,005	4,251
6	7,488	624	31,590	2,633	42,015	3,502	47,385	3,949	58,442	4,871
7	8,124	677	35,610	2,968	47,362	3,947	53,415	4,452	65,879	5,490
8	8,736	728	39,630	3,303	52,708	4,393	59,445	4,954	73,316	6,110
Each Add.	624	50	4,020	335	5,347	446	6,030	503	7,437	620

2013 Income Standards for New Jersey Care and NJ FamilyCare

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	\$22,980	\$1,915	\$28,725	\$2,394	\$34,470	\$2,873	\$40,215	\$3,352
2	31,020	2,585	38,775	3,232	46,530	3,878	54,285	4,524
3	39,060	3,255	48,825	4,069	58,590	4,883	68,355	5,697
4	47,100	3,925	58,875	4,907	70,650	5,888	82,425	6,869
5	55,140	4,595	68,925	5,744	82,710	6,893	96,495	8,042
6	63,180	5,265	78,975	6,582	94,770	7,898	110,565	9,214
7	71,220	5,935	89,025	7,419	106,830	8,903	124,635	10,387
8	79,260	6,605	99,075	8,257	118,890	9,908	138,705	11,559
Each Add.	8,040	670	10,050	838	12,060	1,005	14,070	1,173

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	\$11,490	\$958					
2	15,510	1,293					

*210/\$289 for unemployable

New Jersey Care								
Family Size	Aged, Blind, & Disabled 100% of Poverty Level Plan A							
	Annual	Monthly	Resources					
1	\$11,490	\$958	\$4,000					
2	15,510	1,293	6,000					
NJ WorkAbility (250% FPL) Plan A								
1	\$28,725	\$2,394	\$20,000					
2	38,775	3,232	30,000					
Breast & Cervical (250% FPL) Plan A								
1	\$28,725	\$2,394						
2	38,775	3,232						