



STATE OF DELAWARE

DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF MEDICAID & MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

PLANNING AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT UNIT

MEMORANDUM

REPLY TO
ATTN. OF: Administrative Notice DMMA-06-2011

TO: All DMMA Staff

DATE: May 10, 2011

SUBJECT: Community Spouse Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance

BACKGROUND

Under Section 1924 of the Social Security Act, the minimum monthly maintenance needs standard for the community spouse is increased on July 1 each year. In addition, the excess shelter amount and family allowance increases on July 1.

DISCUSSION

The figures below are based on federal poverty levels published prior to July 1 each year. Section 1924 of the Social Security Act requires July 1 as the effective date.

Effective July 1, 2011 the amounts continue to be:

	07/2010	07/2011
A. Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance (150% of FPL for 2)	\$1821.25	\$1838.75
B. Excess Shelter (30% of A)	\$ 546.00	\$ 551.63
C. Family Allowance (1/3 of A)	\$ 607.00	\$ 613.00

ACTION REQUIRED

Spousal worksheet and DCIS II will be updated with these new amounts.

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