ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICE A-06-2022

TO: All DMMA Staff

DATE: June 7, 2022

PROGRAM(S): Long Term Care

SUBJECT: Community Spouse Minimum 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 1st each year. In addition, the excess shelter amount and family allowance increases on July 1st of each year.

DISCUSSION

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

Effective July 1, 2022, the amounts increase to:

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A. Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance (150% of FPL for 2) $2177.50 $2288.75
   Excess Shelter (30% of A) $653.25 $686.63
   B. Family Allowance (1/3 of A) $725.83 $762.92

ACTION REQUIRED

The spousal worksheet and eligibility system will be updated with these new amounts.

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