STATE OF DELAWARE



DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION OF MEDICAID & MEDICAL ASSISTANCE POLICY & PLANNING UNIT

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICE A-16-2025

TO: DMMA Staff

DATE: December 10, 2025

PROGRAM(S): Long Term Care (LTC) Medicaid Programs

SUBJECT: 2026 Home Equity Limits

BACKGROUND

Under section 6014 of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (DRA), Medicaid will not pay for long-term care services for individuals who have home equity that exceeds a minimum amount, or at State option a higher limit maximum amount. These amounts are adjusted according to increases in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and released annually in The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Informational Bulletin with the 2026-SSI and Spousal Impoverishment Standards.

DISCUSSION

Due to the 2.8% increase in the CPI for 2026, the excess home equity limits, minimum and maximum, will be increased.

Effective January 1, 2026, the excess home equity limits will be as follows:

Minimum excess home equity limit \$752,000 Maximum excess home equity limit \$1,130,000

Delaware Medicaid has elected to use the minimum excess home equity amount. Therefore, effective January 1, 2026, the excess home equity limit will be increased to \$752,000.

ACTION REQUIRED

The eligibility system will be updated with the increased amount of \$752,000.

DIRECT INQUIRIES TO

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Date

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