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AGENCY LETTER

AGENCY LETTER NUMBER: HCPF 14-019 SUPRECEDES NUMBER: DATE: 1/09/2015 DIVISION OR OFFICE: HEALTH INFORMATION OFFICE SUBJECT AREA: MEDICAL ASSISTANCE – MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM AND LOW INCOME SUBSIDY SUBJECT: 2015 INCREASE TO RESOURCE LIMITS TYPE: I – INFORMATION APPROVED BY: CHRIS UNDERWOOD

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Purpose:

The purpose of this agency letter is to advise eligibility sites of the increased resource limits for Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (QMB), Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries (SLMB), Qualified Individuals (QI-1), and Low Income Subsidy (LIS) resource limits.

Background:

Section 112 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA), signed into law on July 15, 2008, amended Section 1905(p)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act to make the resource limit for QMB, SLMB, and QI-1 conform to the resource limit for individuals who qualify for the full subsidy Medicare Part D LIS. The resource limit does not apply for the Qualified Disabled Working Individuals (QDWI) program. The resource test was increased effective January 1, 2015 for QMB, SLMB, QI-1 and LIS and is listed below.



Procedure or Information:

Medicare Savings Program							
		2014	2015			2014	2015
QMB	Individual	\$8,660	\$8,780	SLMB	Individual	\$8,660	\$8,780
	Couple	\$13,750	\$13,930		Couple	\$13,750	\$13,930
		2014	2015			2014	2015
QI-1	Individual	\$8,660	\$8,780	QDWI	Individual	\$4,000	\$4,000
	Couple	\$13,750	\$13,930		Couple	\$6,000	\$6,000
Low Income Subsidy							
Year		2014	2015				
	Individual	\$13,440	\$13,640				
	Couple	\$26,860	\$27,250				

Effective Date:

January 1, 2015

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