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## AGENCY LETTER

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DIVISION OR OFFICE: **HEALTH INFORMATION** 

SUBJECT AREA: FINANCIAL MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY – LONG TERM CARE SUBJECT: SPOUSAL IMPOVERISHMENT 2015 INCREASE TO THE MINIMUM

MONTHLY MAINTENANCE NEEDS ALLOWANCE (MMMNA)

**TYPE: 1- INFORMATIONAL** 

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### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this agency letter is to advise the eligibility sites of the increase to the Community Spouse Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance (MMMNA) and Shelter Allowance. Please share this letter with all eligibility technicians, supervisors and administrators that manage nursing facilities, Home and Community Based Services (HCBS), the Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), and other outside agencies, as appropriate.

## **Background:**

The standard maintenance allowance for the community spouse is based on the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and is adjusted on July 1 every year. The MMMNA is equal to 150 percent of the FPL for a family of two. The Shelter Allowance is equal to 30 percent of the approved MMMNA and is also being increased based on the adjusted FPL.

#### **Procedure or Information:**

MMMNA Shelter Allowance

2015: \$1,992 2015: \$598

2014: \$1,967 2014: \$590

# **Effective Date:**

July 1, 2015

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