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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  Letter No.: 17-40
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS
ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES
ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY MEDS LIAISONS

SUBJECT: 2018 Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act Spousal Impoverishment Caps

The purpose of this letter is to inform counties of an increase to the maximum income and property caps under the Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act. Effective January 1, 2018, the community spouse resource allowance is $123,600.00 and the maximum spousal income allocation/minimum monthly maintenance needs allowance is $3,090.00 per month.

If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Barbara Schmitz by email at Barbara.Schmitz@dhcs.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 327-0419.

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