MEDI-CAL HOME UPKEEP ALLOWANCE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL TEMPORARILY RESIDING IN A NURSING HOME OR OTHER MEDICAL FACILITY

If you are on Medi-Cal and you are living in or will be living in a nursing home or other medical facility, you may qualify for a Medi-Cal deduction called the Home Upkeep Allowance. The Home Upkeep Allowance would enable you to keep $209 a month of your income for the maintenance and upkeep of your home while you are temporarily residing in the nursing home or other medical facility. The Home Upkeep Allowance can be allowed for up to a 6 month period from the date you enter the nursing home.

To qualify for the Home Upkeep Allowance:

- You must intend to leave the nursing facility and to return home within 6 months of the date you begin living in the nursing home.
- You must get a written medical statement from your doctor certifying that you will be able to return home within 6 months.
- Your spouse or family are not living in the home.
- Your home is being maintained for your return.

If you want more information about the Home Upkeep Allowance or wish to apply, please call your local county social services office.