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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 20-07

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SUBJECT: 2020 Medicare Savings Program Property Limit (Reference: 18-27, 19-11,

<u>20-01</u>)

Effective January 1, 2020, this letter revises the Medicare Savings Program (MSP) property limit amounts to be used in determining eligibility. This guidance is effective immediately. The Statewide Automated Welfare Systems (SAWS) must make programming changes for the 2020 MSP property limits during the next available SAWS release.

Counties must review all MSP denials and discontinuances back to January 1, 2020, and re-evaluate eligibility based upon the revised property limit amounts.

MSP 2020 Property Limits

The property limits used to determine MSP eligibility will increase in 2020. The limits are \$7,860 for an individual and \$11,800 for a couple. Federal law sets the MSP property limits at three times the Supplemental Security income property limit plus an annual percentage increase equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index.

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