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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 17-22 ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: 2017/2018 Family Member Base Allocation Amount (Reference: Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Informational Letter Number 16-08)

The purpose of this letter is to provide counties with the updated family member base allocation (FMBA) amount per Section 1924(d) of the Social Security Act. The FMBA amount is used to determine how much of their income the long-term care (LTC) beneficiary may allocate to family members.

Effective July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, the FMBA amount (for use in Section IX, A.2 and B.2 of the Allocation/Special Deduction Worksheet B, Form MC 176W (05/08)) for a family member living with the community spouse of a beneficiary with LTC status is \$2,030. The FMBA amount for 2016-2017 was \$2,003. The Statewide Automated Welfare System (SAWS) shall make programming changes for the 2017 FMBA amount during the next available SAWS release.

If you have other questions regarding this letter, please contact Phoua Moua at (916) 327-0411 or by email at Phoua.Moua@dhcs.ca.gov.

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