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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 18-13
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS
ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES
ALL CONSORTIA/SAWS PROJECT MANAGERS

SUBJECT: 2018/2019 Family Member Base Allocation Amount
(Reference: All County Welfare Directors Letter Number 17-22)

The purpose of this All County Welfare Directors 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, 2018, through June 30, 2019, 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 \$2,057.50. The FMBA amount for 2017-2018 was \$2,030.

Implementation Timeline

The Statewide Automated Welfare System (SAWS) shall make programming changes for the 2018 FMBA amount during the next available SAWS release.

If you have other questions regarding this letter, please contact Phoua Moua at (916) 345-8064 or by email at Phoua.Moua@dhcs.ca.gov.

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