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**TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES
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FAMILY INVESTMENT SUPERVISORS AND ELIGIBILITY STAFF**

FROM: CHARLES E. HENRY, ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**RE: HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION – CHILD AGE 17 OR YOUNGER LIVING
WITH SOMEONE OTHER THAN A PARENT**

PROGRAM AFFECTED: FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF POLICY, RESEARCH AND SYSTEMS

SUMMARY

Final Food Stamp Program regulations published October 30, 2000 included a definition of parental control. This will help with determining whether a child age 17 or younger is under the parental control of someone other than a parent.

POLICY REMINDER

A child (other than a foster child) age 17 or younger living with and under the parental control of someone other than a parent must be included in the household, even if they do not customarily purchase and prepare food together.

NEW DEFINITION

A child is under "parental control" if he or she is financially or otherwise dependent on a member of the household.

INQUIRIES

Please direct questions to Kay Finegan at 410-767-7939.

cc: DHR Executive Staff FIA Management Staff Constituent Services

