TO:       DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
          DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR FAMILY INVESTMENT  
          FAMILY INVESTMENT SUPERVISORS AND ELIGIBILITY STAFF  
FROM:    CHARLES E. HENRY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FIA  
          JOSEPH DAVIS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OOE, DHMH  
RE:       ADDITIONAL EXCLUDED UNEARNED INCOME  
PROGRAM AFFECTED:  TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE  
          MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
ORIGINATING OFFICE:  OFFICE OF POLICY, RESEARCH AND SYSTEMS  
SUMMARY:  
This is one of several action transmittals for Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) that is 
being issued as the result of the adoption of Family Investment Program (FIP) Code of 
Maryland Regulations (COMAR 07.03.03.01 through .26). Prior FIP regulations were 
repealed and new FIP regulations were adopted in November 2001.  
ACTION REQUIRED:  
Certain unearned income is not counted when determining TCA and FAC financial 
eligibility. The following are being added to the types of disregarded unearned income 
for TCA and FAC Medical Assistance:  

- Criminal Injuries Compensation - In Maryland, the Criminal Injuries Compensation 
  Board makes one-time-only payments for personal injuries suffered by a victim of 
  crime. Payments are made both to the victim and on behalf of the victim to the 
  surviving spouse, child, or any dependent of a victim who died as a direct result of a 
  crime.  
- College Work Study - The Secretary of Education administers post-secondary 
  educational grants and loans that include College Work-Study Income. This allows
the college student to work and gain valuable experience in their chosen field. The college work-study must be part of the customer's Family Independence Plan.

**ACTION DUE:** January 1, 2002

**NARRATE ALL CASE ACTIVITY CAREFULLY:**

Local departments must ensure that narration of case activity is clear, concise, and complete according to the action taken by the case manager. Good narration also supports the local department decision in the event of a fair hearing or selection of the case for Quality Control review.

**INQUIRIES**

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