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TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES
DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR INCOME MAINTENANCE
INCOME MAINTENANCE SUPERVISORS

FROM: KEVIN MAHON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, IMA 

RE: REDETERMINATIONS OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY

PROGRAMS AFFECTED: MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF POLICY ADMINISTRATION

Background:

The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's (DHMH) System and Operations Administration is experiencing delays in supplying local departments with the monthly runs of labels required to process redeterminations of Medical Assistance eligibility. As a result of these delays, local department staff have been unable to perform the required redeterminations of eligibility prior to the end of customers' certification periods. This has placed the local departments in the position of having to choose to either close cases or allow them to automatically recertify on MMIS-II. In CARES jurisdictions this situation applies to programs not on CARES (i.e., MD. Kids Count, SLIMBY, Pharmacy Assistance, etc.)

Action:

To the extent that the labels are not produced and made available to local departments, allowing for a timely scheduled redetermination of continuing eligibility as required under COMAR 10.09.24..12C(3), local departments will allow the affected cases to automatically recertify rather than be canceled. Cases that are allowed to recertify without a redetermination of continued eligibility should be scheduled for a redetermination as soon as circumstances permit.

When the customer comes in for his/her face to face redetermination interview and if the customer is determined ineligible, the worker must issue a 10 day Notice of Adverse Action. Questions should be directed to Gloria Washington (410) 767-7705, or Rufus McCrea (410) 767-7748.

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