TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES
DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR FAMILY INVESTMENT
FAMILY INVESTMENT SUPERVISORS

FROM: KEVIN MAHON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FIA

RE: ELIMINATION OF THE PRENATAL NUTRITIONAL BENEFIT FOR
AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN (AFDC)

PROGRAM AFFECTED: AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OPA/ DIVISION OF PROGRAM POLICY AND
REGULATION

SUMMARY

This transmittal notifies local departments of the elimination of the $14 prenatal nutritional benefit.

BACKGROUND

Under current policy a $14 prenatal nutritional benefit is paid to AFDC recipients who verify pregnancy and receipt of prenatal care.

NEW POLICY

The $14 benefit for pregnant women on AFDC will be eliminated effective August 1, 1996.

A warning letter will be sent in July to active AFDC customers receiving the $14 prenatal benefit to tell them about the change. A Notice of Adverse Action will also be sent by the CARES and AIMS systems prior to the change.

ACTION REQUIRED

Both AIMS and CARES will remove the $14 prenatal benefit as a mass change effective August 1, 1996.
INQUIRIES

Please direct inquiries to Kay Finegan at (410) 767-7939 or the DHR Help Desk at (410) 767-7002 or 1-800-347-1350.

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