To:    Directors, Local Departments of Social Services
       Deputy/Assistant Directors for Family Investment
       Family Investment Supervisors

From:  Kevin Mahon, Executive Director, FIA
       Joseph Millstone, Executive Director, MCPA/DHMH

Re:    Minimum and Maximum Spousal Resource Amount and
       Maximum Spousal Maintenance and Shelter Allowance

Program Affected:  Medical Assistance

Originating Office:  Office of Policy and Research

The spousal impoverishment resource minimum and maximum and the spousal maintenance and
shelter allowance will increase effective January 1, 1998. The minimum resource level will
increase to $16,152. The maximum resource level will increase to $80,760. The long term care
maximum maintenance and shelter allowance will increase to $2,019.

These changes have been completed in CARES. All fields are manually entered into AIMS.

Action Due Date:  Upon receipt

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