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

FROM:  ROBERT N. EVERHARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE:  CENTRAL OFFICE SSI CLEAN UP ACTIVITIES

PROGRAM AFFECTED:  MA

ORIGINATING OFFICE:  OFFICE OF POLICY, RESEARCH AND SYSTEMS

In an effort to assist LDSS offices, FIA central staff is reconciling SSI cases. Based on information derived from SDX files as of 2/28/99, assistance units where the SSI recipient is deceased or no longer receives an SSI payment are part of the reconciliation effort.

As of 2/28/99, 2,900 deceased recipients and 5,727 active MA SSI recipients (no SSI payment) have been identified statewide. FIA central staff closed those cases where the recipient is deceased. The active MA SSI Assistance units will remain active on CARES but will be in medical coverage group S98.

Redet end dates will be randomly assigned and CARES will generate a mail in redet package 65 days prior to the established redet end date for the S98 AU. At this point the LDSS office will do a redetermination of MA eligibility based on information received from the recipient.

LDSS’ will receive the list of closed deceased SSI individuals in April. In addition, LDSS’ will receive monthly, a list of active MA SSI recipients corrected the previous month.
LDSS offices will assume responsibility for all SDX transactions dated 3/1/99 or later. Questions or comments should be directed to Erna Yaker at 410-767-7960 or Lee Wurtzer at 410-767-7959.

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