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

FROM: ROBERT J. EVERHARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR *RJE*

**RE: SIXTY-MONTH TIME LIMITS COMPLIANCE FOR CUSTOMERS
FROM OUT OF STATE**

PROGRAM AFFECTED: TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE (TCA)

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF POLICY, RESEARCH AND SYSTEMS

SUMMARY

In May 1999, a Supreme Court decision on a California case concluded that residency requirements violated the individual's right to travel. As a result of this decision, Maryland rescinded the residency requirements for families moving from other states. However, the local departments must continue to apply the sixty-month time limit on all cases. The time limit includes any month that TANF benefits were received from other states. Case managers must take the following steps to ensure proper application of this policy.

ACTION REQUIRED

- Explain the 60-month time limit to the customer.
- Ask customers if they have been on assistance in other states.
- Contact the prior states to verify the case status of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) and determine the number of months TANF benefits were received.

- Have the supervisor adjust the time limit counter on CARES to reflect the number of months the customer received TANF benefits from the other states. The supervisor should make the adjustment **before the case is finalized.**
- For your convenience, we have attached a TANF Information List that includes telephone numbers and other TANF Information for each state

CARES PROCEDURES

- Case managers must interview and process the case.
- In processing, enter the customer's previous out-of-state addresses on the "Previous household Address" PREV screen by entering a "Y" in the "Previous Address in Last 2 Years" field on the ADDR screen. Also enter dates of residence at the Out-of-state address on the "from - to" fields on the PREV screen for each address listed.
- Once the case has been processed, the Supervisor must adjust the time limit counter (T LE) by adding to any existing count the number of months the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) benefits were received in the prior states in the "TCA Ctr" field on the DEM2 01 screen. The supervisor should count all applicable months when adjusting the counter.
- The case must then be finalized.

INQUIRES

Please direct policy questions to Jo-Ann Showalter at 410-767-7956, Bureau of Policy and Training. Direct systems questions to Sarah Haygood at 410-238-1294.

Attachment

cc: DHR Executive Staff
FIA Management Staff
FIA Trainers
Constituent Services
Help Desk
CIS Testing Facility

TIME LIMITS FOR RECEIPT OF TANF

STATE	TIME LIMITS	DATE TANF EFFECTIVE	TELEPHONE NUMBER	MONTHLY BENEFIT FREQUENCY	CONTACT PERSON
Alabama	60 Months	12/1/96	334-242-1950	Once	Jeri Farrio (Mrs.)
Alaska	60 Months	7/1/97	907-465-3551	Once	Anyone
Arizona	60 Months	10/1/96	602-542-9935	Varies	Anyone
Arkansas	24 Months	7/1/98	501-682-8233	Once	Anyone
California	60 Months	1/1/98	916-657-2128	Varies by county	Anyone
Colorado	60 Months	7/1/97	303-866-5970	Once	Bernie Ruvalcaba
Connecticut	21 months: 6 month extension	1/1/96	203-630-6000	Once	Call will be transferred to worker
Delaware	48 Months	3/10/97	302-577-4406	Once	Josephine Uriatowski
District Of ia	60 Months	3/1/97	202-724-5506	Once	Customer Service
Florida	48 Months	10/1/96	305-377-7552	Once	Anyone
Georgia	48 Months	1/1/97	404-463-7265	Once	Anyone
Hawaii	60 Months	2/1/97			
Idaho	24 Months	7/1/97	208-334-5815	Once	Anyone
Illinois	60 Months	7/1/97	217-557-1678	Once	Anyone
Indiana	24 Months	6/1/97	219-724-9169	Once	Anyone
Iowa	60 Months	1/1/97	515-281-6899	Once	Anyone
Kansas	60 Months	10/1/96	785-368-8129	Once	Naomi Miller
Kentucky	60 Months	10/18/96	502-564-3556	Once	Joyce Lee
Louisiana	24 Months	1/1/97	225-342-3908	Once	Jerry Geiera
Maine	60 Months	11/1/96	207-287-2826	Once	Marlyn Doak
Maryland	60 Months	1/1/97			
Massachusetts	24 Months	12/1/96	617-348-5416	Once	Carol Simering
Michigan	60 Months	10/1/96	517-373-2035		Anyone
Minnesota	60 Months	7/1/97	651-215-1357	Varies by county	Message line
Mississippi	60 Months	10/1/96	601-359-4835	Once	Shirley Wilder
Missouri	48 Months	7/1/97	573-751-2526	Once	Clyde Farmer
Montana	60 Months	2/1/97	406-444-1917	Once	Karlene Groosberg
Nebraska	24 Months without earned income	7/1/97	402-471-9325	Once	Call will be transferred to worker
Nevada	60 Months	12/1/96	702-486-1669	Once	Charlotte Wilson

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New Hampshire	36 months	10/1/96,	603-271-4300	Once	Mikki Grime or April Sinclair
New Jersey	60 months	4/1/97	609-588-2454	Once	Paul Spinelli
New Mexico	36 months	7/1/97	505-827-7267	Once	Anthony Castor
New York	60 months	12/2/96	518-486-7653	Once	Maureen Kennedy
North Carolina	24 months	1/1/97	919-733-7831	Once	Barbara Heath
North Dakota	60 months	7/1/97	701-328-4008	Once	Carol Cartlege
Ohio	36 months	10/1/97	614-466-6024	Once	Anyone
Oklahoma	60 months	10/1/96	405-5214415	Once	Donna Caton
Oregon	24 months	7/1/96	502-945-5607	Once	James Neely
Pennsylvania	60 months	3/3/97	717-783-7829	Once	Gail Bean
Rhode Island	60 months	5/1/97	401-464-3052	Twice	Worker on duty
South Carolina	24 months	10/1/96	803-898-9394	Once	Alice Player
South Dakota	60 months	12/1/96	605-773-4678	Once	Anyone
Tennessee	18 months	10/1/96	888-863-6178	Once	Anyone
Texas	12, 24 and 36 months; lifetime of 60 months	11/1/96	512-438-3280	Once	Information Hotline
Utah	36 months	1/1/97	801-538-3970	Once	Robin Durgel
Vermont	60 months	9/20/96	802-241-2800	Twice	Marcia Guyette
Virginia	24 months	10/1/97	804-692-1731	Once	Marcia Sharpe
Washington	60 months	8/1/97	360-413-3339	Once	Dave Monfort
West Virginia	60 months	1/11/97	304-558-8290 304-558-2400	Once	Worker on duty
Wisconsin	60 months	10/1/96	608-266-3337	Once	Pam Kiern
Wyoming	60 months	1/1/97	307-777-6250	Once	Bonnie Paul Colleen Collins