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

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FROM: KEVIN MAHON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FIA

RE: TRANSFER/DISPOSAL PENALTY PERIOD

PROGRAMS AFFECTED: LONG TERM CARE (LTC)

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF POLICY ADMINISTRATION

Background:

LTC policy requires that all transfers/disposals on or before August 10, 1993 are subject to a 30-month maximum penalty period. There is no limit to the length of a penalty for disposals made after August 10, 1993. CARES currently calculates a 30-month penalty period for all transfers/disposals regardless of the transfer/disposal date.

Action Required:

If a LTC customer has a transfer/disposal on or before August 10, 1993, follow normal processing procedures (see CARES Alert 96-25 for further information).

If a LTC customer has a transfer/disposal after August 10, 1993, the case manager must determine the penalty period off-line. The CARES AU must be denied with a '572' code and a manual DHMH 4235 Notice of ineligibility due to Excess Resources or Disposal of Resources letter must be sent to the customer/representative and long term care facility notifying them of the decision and the proper COMAR citation(s). Narrate the case actions prior to denying the AU, making sure to enter the penalty period and reason(s) for penalty.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this memo, please contact the DHR Help Desk at (410) 767-7002 or 1-800-347-1350.

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