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**TO: DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR FAMILY INVESTMENT
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**FROM: *Kevin Mahon*
KEVIN MAHON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FIA**

RE: PAYMENT STANDARDS FROM OTHER STATES

PROGRAM AFFECTED: TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE (TCA)

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF POLICY AND RESEARCH

Background: One of the new Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act of 1996 (PRWORA) provisions affects customers who have resided in Maryland less than 12 months. The lesser of the payment standard from the prior state or the payment standard from Maryland is the benefit amount to be paid to this assistance unit. Once the customer has resided in Maryland for longer than 12 months, the assistance unit is entitled to the payment standard applicable to Maryland.

Action Required: The attached charts were developed to assist in the implementation of the new residency requirement. Since benefit levels can change at any time, only the payment standards for the states adjacent to Maryland who have a lower payment standard (Virginia, Delaware, West Virginia) and states whose residents frequently move to Maryland (North Carolina, South Carolina) are included. For other states, use the first chart to determine if the other state has a payment standard greater or lower than Maryland's. If lower, use the information provided for other states or call the state for the benefit amount for your household size.

Notes: Virginia's standard is based on county of residence. There are two pages for Virginia's payment standard.

AIMS PROCEDURE:

The difference between Maryland's benefit and previous state's benefit is entered on AIMS 2 form in the unearned income field. The correct code to use is P07 (Other Unearned Income).

Example: A three person household from Delaware, having received TCA and Food Stamps prior to moving to Maryland, applies for TCA and Food Stamps. The TCA amount received in Delaware for a three person household is \$338. The amount received in Maryland for a three person household is \$388. The difference between Maryland's benefit amount and Delaware's benefit amount to be placed on the AIMS 2 form is \$50. This will allow for the lesser of the payment standard from the prior state, which is what the household received in Delaware, to be issued.

CLEARLY DOCUMENT/NARRATE ACTION TAKEN ON CASE.

CARES PROCEDURE:

The difference between Maryland's benefit and previous state's benefit is entered on the head of household's unearned income (UINC) screen. Enter the code "OO" (Cash Assistance Received Out of State) in the source column. This will allow for the correct cash benefit amount to be issued and not affect the food stamp benefit.

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CLEARLY DOCUMENT/NARRATE ACTION TAKEN ON CASE.

Effective: Upon receipt. Please call Phyliss Arrington at (410) 767-7079 or Sue Woolford (410) 767-7190 with questions.

cc: FIA Management Staff
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CHART A*
PAYMENT STANDARDS FOR ALL STATES
(Family of 3)

STATE	BENEFIT LEVEL	TELEPHONE NUMBER
ALABAMA	\$164	(334) 242 - 1950
ALASKA	923	(907) 465 - 3347
ARIZONA	347	(602) 542 - 5063
ARKANSAS	204	(501) 682 - 8253
CALIFORNIA	607	(916) 657 - 2128
COLORADO	356	(303) 866 - 3151
CONNECTICUT	636	(203) 424 - 5323
DELAWARE	338	(302) 577 - 4452
FLORIDA	303	(904) 487 - 4382
GEORGIA	280	(404) 657 - 5180
HAWAII	712	(808) 586 - 5711
IDAHO	317	(208) 334 - 5819
ILLINOIS	377	(217) 782 - 3055
INDIANA	288	(219) 724 - 9169
IOWA	426	(515) 281 - 8629
KANSAS	429	(913) 296 - 2970
KENTUCKY	262	(502) 564 - 3556
LOUISIANA	190	(504) 342 - 4051
MAINE	418	(207) 287 - 2826
MARYLAND	388	(410) 767 - 7925
MASSACHUSETTS	579	(617) 348 - 8410
MICHIGAN	459	(517) 373 - 2535
MINNESOTA	532	(612) 296 - 0978
MISSISSIPPI	120	(601) 359 - 4835
MISSOURI	292	(314) 751 - 3124
MONTANA	438	(406) 444 - 4545
NEBRASKA	364	(402) 471 - 9325
NEVADA	348	(702) 687 - 5765
NEW HAMPSHIRE	550	(603) 271 - 4300
NEW JERSEY	424	(609) 588 - 2414
NEW MEXICO	389	(505) 827 - 7254
NEW YORK	577	(518) 474 - 9222
NORTH CAROLINA	272	(919) 733 - 2873
NORTH DAKOTA	440	(701) 328 - 4009
OHIO	341	(614) 466 - 3196
OKLAHOMA	307	(405) 521 - 4415
OREGON	460	(503) 945 - 5600
PENNSYLVANIA	421	(717) 783 - 3063
RHODE ISLAND	554	(401) 464 - 3052
SOUTH CAROLINA	200	(803) 737 - 6010
SOUTH DAKOTA	430	(605) 773 - 4678
TENNESSE	185	(615) 313 - 4888
TEXAS	188	(512) 450 - 4140
UTAH	426	(801) 538 - 3970
VERMONT	656	(802) 241 - 2800
VIRGINIA	354	(804) 692 - 1730
WASHINGTON	546	(360) 438 - 8260
WEST VIRGINIA	253	(304) 558 - 3186
WISCONSIN	517	(608) 267 - 9022
WYOMING	360	(307) 777 - 6849
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	420	(202) 724 - 5506

** Use this chart to determine if the Maryland benefit is to be paid. If the prior state benefit is to be paid, use the information on the following charts, or call the state for the benefit amount for your household size.*

CHART B

PAYMENT STANDARD FOR VIRGINIA

<u>Size of Assistance Units</u>	GROUP I	GROUP II	GROUP III
1	\$ 131	\$ 157	\$ 220
2	207	231	294
3	265	291	354
4	322	347	410
5	380	410	488
6	427	458	534
7	482	512	590
8	541	572	650
9	591	623	701
10	647	678	755
Each person above 10	56	56	56

CHART B Appendix

GROUPING OF LOCALITIES FOR VIRGINIA

<u>GROUP I</u>		<u>GROUP II</u>	<u>GROUP III</u>
<u>Countries</u>	Louisa	<u>Countries</u>	<u>Countries</u>
Accomack	Lunenburg	Albemarle	Arlington
Alleghany	Madison	Augusta	Fairfax
Amelir	Mathews	Chesterfield	Montgomery
Amherst	Mecklenburg	Henrico	Prince William
Appomattox	Middlesex	Loudoun	
Bath	Nelson	Rosnoke	<u>Cities</u>
Bedford	New Kent	Rockingham	Alexandria
Blans	Northampton	Warren	Charlottesville
Botetourt	Northumberland		Colonial Heights
Brunswick	Nottoway	<u>Cities</u>	Falls Church
Buchanan	Orange	Chasapeake	Fredericksburg
Buckingham	Page	Covington	Hampton
Campbell	Patrick	Harrisonburg	Manassas
Caroline	Pittsylvania	Hopewell	Manassas Park
Carroll	Powhatan	Lexington	Waynesboro
Charles City	Prince Edward	Lynchburg	
Charlotte	Prince George	Martinsville	
Clarks	Pulaski	Newport News	
Craig	Rappahannock	Norfolk	
Culpeper	Richmond County	Petersburg	
Cumberland	Rockbridge	Portsmouth	
Dickinson	Russell	Radford	
Dinwiddie	Scott	Richmond	
Essex	Shenandoah	Roanoke	
Fauquier	Smyth	Staunton	
Floyd	Southampton	Virginia Beach	
Fluvanna	Spotsylvania	Williamsburg	
Franklin	Stafford	Winchester	
Frederick	Surry		
Giles	Sussex		
Gloucester	Tazewell		
Gochnland	Washington		
Grosvon	Westmoreland		
Greene	Wise		
Greensville	Wythe		
Halifax	York		
Hanover	<u>Cities</u>		
Henry	Bristol		
Highland	Beana Vista		
Isle of Wight	Clifton Forge		
James City	Danville		
King George	Emporia		
King & Queen	Franklin		
King William	Galax		
Lancaster	Norton		
Lee	Suffolk		

CHART C

PAYMENT STANDARD FOR DELAWARE

<u>Number in Budget</u>	<u>Basic Personal Needs, Including Shelter and Utilities</u>
1	\$201.00
2	270.00
3	338.00
4	407.00
5	475.00
6	544.00
7	612.00

Over 7 in budget add \$69.00 per person to total for items for family of seven.

CHART D

PAYMENT STANDARD FOR NORTH CAROLINA

PAYMENT STANDARD BY NUMBER IN THE FAMILY UNIT							
Number in Family Unit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Payment Standard	\$181	\$236	\$272	\$297	\$324	\$349	\$373
Number in Family Unit	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Payment Standard	\$386	\$406	\$430	\$448	\$473	\$496	\$521
For each additional person in the family unit, add \$25 to the Payment Standard for 14.							

CHART E

PAYMENT STANDARD FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

NEED STANDARD TABLE FOR AFDC

Number in Aid Group	Gross Limit (185% Test)	Need Standard (50% of 1996 Federal Poverty Income Guidelines)	Payment Standard/Award (37.1% of Need with No Income)
1	\$ 595.00	\$ 322.00	\$119.00
2	797.00	431.00	159.00
3	999.00	540.00	200.00
4	1,202.00	\$ 650.00	241.00
5	1,404.00	759.00	281.00
6	1,605.00	868.00	322.00
7	1,807.00	977.00	362.00
8	2,009.00	1,086.00	402.00
9	2,210.00	1,195.00	443.00
10	2,412.00	1,304.00	483.00
11	2,614.00	1,413.00	524.00
12	2,815.00	1,522.00	564.00
13	3,017.00	1,631.00	605.00
14	3,219.00	1,740.00	645.00
15	3,420.00	1,849.00	685.00

Note: For family sizes over 15 add \$109 for each extra person to the Need Standard for 15. To determine Gross Income Limit multiply by 1.85 and drop the cents. To determine Payment Standard/Award multiply by .371 and drop the cents.

CHART F

PAYMENT STANDARD FOR WEST VIRGINIA

Number of Persons in Unit	Maximum AFDC Payment
1	\$149
2	201
3	253
4	312
5	360
6	413
7	462
8	477
9	477
10	477