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MEDICAID MANUAL (OFI Policy Manual, Volume II) Transmittal NO.36

TO: County Departments of Family and Children Services
State DFCS Staff

FROM: Mark A. Washington, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Family and Children Services

RE: Medicaid Policy Updates/Changes

PURPOSE: For all COA's, Section 2706 was updated to clarify that if a review is completed without a review form, a copy of the rights and responsibilities and DMA 285 must be sent/given to the A/R. The DMA285 must be signed and returned. Section 2215 was updated with the newest Web-1 link and the 2008 and 2009 income amounts to use when calculating 40 qualifying quarters. The voter registration section was updated to state that voter registration services must be offered to all adult applicants/recipients that come into the office.

For ABD, Section 2060 now states that Data Broker meets the property search requirement. In 2555, the address and contact information for sending an IME request was updated. Minor changes were made in sections 2133, 2205, 2312, 2342, and 2407. A new section on the GAMMP program was added to the Referrals section.

For Family Medicaid, Section 2065 was reformatted to follow the layout of Section 2060. Minor changes were made also made in 2620. In Appendix B, the contact person for Women's Health Medicaid hearings was changed.

There are no changes for Children in Placement.

In the Forms section, the latest form 94SP and 138SP were added, as well as a new Absent Parent information form. The 297M and 297M SP were updated, as well as the SNT routing form, PCK Report Back form, WHM Review form and WHM Physician's statement. Minor changes were also made to the 173, 173SP, 218, 218SP, 700 and 700SP.

DISCUSSION:

Specific changes to the Sections are discussed briefly under the Comments Section below.

UPDATES:**MANUAL TRANSMITTAL 36**

Section	Instructions for Manual Maintenance	Page	Comments
2060	Remove and Replace	7	In last paragraph, added that data broker meets property search requirements.
2065	Remove and Replace	3-7	Changed the order of the entire section to better align with the order of 2060.
2133	Remove and Replace	7	Added that skilled nursing care is included in GAPP services.
2205	Remove and Replace	3	Moved paragraph about stroke SMEU requests under when to request SMEU verification.
2215	Remove and Replace	10,12	Page 10- Correct web address for SAVE/Web-1. Page 12-add 2008 and 2009 earning amounts for calculating 40 qualifying quarters.
2312	Remove and Replace	2	Removed "which causes an excess in the burial exclusion limit" from the first paragraph.
2342	Remove and Replace	5,7	Added note about what date to use when looking at property transfer and added that Hospital is not included when looking at transfers.
2407	Remove and Replace	8	Changed 2 nd bullet from start with 3 rd bullet to refer to all of step 12.
2555	Remove and Replace	3	Updated address and contact information for sending IME requests.
2620	Remove and Replace	3	Step 5, add exception that children over the age limit for a COA cannot be included to increase BG size.
2706	Remove and Replace	3	Add statement to NOTE that 297A and DMA285 must be sent if no review form is received.
2932	Add		New section on GAMMP
2980	Remove and Replace	1,3,4	Page 1- removed statement that agency is no longer required to offer voter registration services if an A/R declines in writing. Page 3- added website where forms can be downloaded. Page 4- added NOTE to step 2, combined steps 5 and 6 and added website where forms can be downloaded.
Appendix B	Remove and Replace	2,3	Page 2- updated email address on who to contact at DCH for a WHM hearing. Page-3 added SMEU to Agency Holding hearings chart. They are handled by OSAH. Clarified what to do when some requests a continuation of

			benefits from an SSI termination.
Appendix F	Remove and Replace		Added newest 94SP, 138SP, updated 173 and 173SP, 218 and 218SP, 297M, 297M SP, 700, 700 SP, SNT routing form, PCK Report Back form, and WHM review form and Physician's statement. Added new Absent Parent information form.
Appendix F TOC	Remove and Replace		Updated with new forms and revision dates.
Appendix G	Add		Add MT36 Cover Letter in front of MT35 Cover Letter
TOC2900	Remove and Replace		Updated with section 2932
Main TOC	Remove and Replace		Updated with section 2932

Pen and Ink Changes:

Update the Record of Receipt of Manual Transmittals for ESS Policy Manual Volume 2, Medicaid.