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MEDICAID MANUAL (OFI Policy Manual, Volume II) Transmittal NO.40

TO: County Departments of Family and Children Services

State DFCS Staff

FROM: Isabel Blanco, Executive Director

Division of Family and Children Services

RE: Medicaid Policy Updates/Changes

PURPOSE: For all COA's, Section 2215 was updated to state that drivers license and criminal records matches from DataBroker are only valid if completed before 6/30/10. Section 2927 was removed as the Georgia Partnership for Caring Foundation no longer exists due to a lack of funding. Appendix B was updated with the most current hearing withdrawal procedures, and to reflect that DFCS has 30 days to appeal a hearing decision. The procedure for submitting appeals was updated as well.

For ABD, Section 2133 was updated with information on how an incomplete packet is handled, and deleted info on sending packets through the RMO. Section 2230 was updated to reflect that a DMA285 is not needed if an A/R has prepaid dental services. In Appendix A-1, the SGA amount for non blind individuals was updated. Minor changes were also made to sections 2150, 2750, and Appendix L.

For Family Medicaid, in Section 2067, a note was added stating that EMA cannot be done as a part of Presumptive Eligibility. Section 2170 was updated to reflect that if someone has a concurrent increase in wages and child support, they should received TMA, and that if someone is receiving 4MCS leaves the state and then moves back, they would be entitled to any remaining months.. A statement was added to Section 2250 stating that an AU member penalized for non cooperation with DCSS will remain penalized until they cooperate, even if the reapply. Minor changes were also made in Sections 2160, 2174, 2184, 2653, 2657, 2706, 2938, and Appendix H.

There are no changes for Children in Placement.

In the Forms section, the latest revisions of the 297A, 297A SP, 315, 705, 713, and Medicaid Review Response form were added.

DISCUSSION:

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

UPDATES:

Section	Instructions for Manual	Page	Comments
	Maintenance		

2067	Damaria and Danlaga	1.2	TTighti-hand often and disc
	Remove and Replace	1,2	Highlighted phrase stating that presumptive eligibility does not cover inpatient labor and delivery. Added NOTE that EMA cannot be completed as part of PE process. Page 2-clarified that PE cannot be done on an already active Medicaid member.
2133	Remove and Replace	4,6	Page 4-Updated with correct procedures for how GMCF handles an incomplete packet, deleted information regarding sending packets through the RMO. Page 6-Updated name of DCH Commissioner
2150	Remove and Replace	14	Added coding instructions for SUCCESS SSI Receipt field on DEM1 for Spenddown cases.
2160	Remove and Replace	3	Added "and Public Health Departments" to agencies that do PE Medicaid
2170	Remove and Replace	1,2,3	Page 1- clarified that if A/R has increase in child support and earned income, A/R should receive TMA. Page 2-Added NOTE that if A/R leave GA and comes back they would be entitled to any remaining months of 4MCS. Removed statement that conflicted with step 6 on page 3. Page 3-added "or concurrent change" to step 2.
2174	Remove and Replace	1,3-5	Page 1- Clarified that child born to mother who only received PE is not Newborn eligible. Page 3-5- Changed "mother" to "parent"
2184	Remove and Replace	2	Added "including Public Health Departments" in PE section
2215	Remove and Replace	5	Added NOTE that driver's license and criminal matches with DataBroker were valid if completed before 6/30/10.
2230	Remove and Replace	1	Added statement that prepaid dental services do not require completion of a DMA285.
2250	Remove and Replace	7	Added NOTE that a penalized individual who reapplies will continue to be penalized until they cooperate with DCSS. Added statement that A/R must cooperate with obtaining medical support only.
2653	Remove and Replace	5	Changed OCSS to DCSS
2657	Remove and Replace	2	Clarified that enumeration and citizenship/alienage is for AU members only.
2706	Remove and Replace	3-4	Removed databroker requirements.
2750	Remove and Replace	2	Added NOTE on step 3 about coding instructions for

			SUCCESS SSI Receipt field on DEM1 for spenddown
			cases.
2927	Remove		Program no longer exists due to lack of funding.
2938	Remove and Replace	1	Updated services offered and web address.
Appendix A-1	Remove and Replace	1	Updated the SGA amount for non blind individuals.
Appendix B	Remove and Replace	2,5,8,9	Page 2- Updated email address for sending RSM and WHM hearings. Page 5- updated procedures for withdrawal of hearings. Page 8 & 9- updated timeframe DFCS has to appeal a hearing decision to 30 days, updated address for sending in Appeal, these no longer come to Medicaid Policy Unit, they go straight to DCH Legal.
Appendix F	Remove and Replace		Added newest 297A and 297A SP, DMA315, DMA705 Form 713, and MEQC Response Form.
Appendix F TOC	Remove and Replace		Updated with new forms and revision dates.
Appendix G	Add		Add MT40 Cover Letter in front of MT39 Cover Letter
Appendix H Overview	Remove and Replace	3	Added statement regarding exception responses back to top of page. Statement was inadvertently deleted in MT39.
Appendix L	Remove and Replace	5	Updated web address for the Long Term Care Unit application process.
TOC 2900	Remove and Replace		Removed Section 2927
Main TOC	Remove and Replace		Removed Section 2927

Pen and Ink Changes:

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