

CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 15-06, MOTOR VEHICLE EXCLUSION

DATE: JUNE 14, 2006

Manual: Aged, Blind, and Disabled Medicaid

Change No: 15-06

To: County Directors of Social Services

Effective: July 1, 2006

I. BACKGROUND

Research of SSI policy regarding motor vehicles indicated a need to revise Adult Medicaid policy to follow SSI policy. The exclusion of one motor vehicle for resource determinations and the \$4,500 Current Market Value (CMV) motor vehicle exclusion changed. The excluded vehicle must be used for transportation. If not used to transport the applicant/recipient (a/r) living in a nursing facility or for the a/r living at home and/or anyone living in the home, then the vehicle counts as a resource. The \$4,500 CMV vehicle exclusion was eliminated and the equity value of junked cars is a countable resource. The purpose of this policy change is to bring Medicaid policy into line with SSI regulations.

II. CONTENT OF CHANGE

MA-2230, Financial Resources is changed.

A. Exclude only one vehicle if it is used to transport the:

1. A/R and/or a person living with the a/r in the home; or
2. A/R living in a nursing facility, the community spouse or dependent/disabled child.

The vehicle is assumed to provide transportation unless there is evidence to the contrary.

If evidence shows that the vehicle is not used for transportation, count the vehicle as a countable resource. If the countable vehicle is transferred, apply a transfer of resource penalty.

B. Eliminate the \$4,500 Current Market Value (CMV) vehicle exclusion.

C. Eliminate the junked car exclusion.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This change is effective July 1, 2006. Apply this policy to applications and redeterminations taken on and after July 1, 2006.

IV. MAINTENANCE OF MANUAL

Remove: MA-2230, Financial Resources, pages 5 - 6 and 41- 46.

Insert: [MA-2230, Financial Resources](#), pages 5 – 6 and 41 - 46 dated 07/01/06.

If you have any questions, please contact your Medicaid Program Representative.

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