

# **CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 18-10, FOR STANDARD UTILITY ALLOWANCE AND HIPP**

**DATE: 10/26/10**

**Manual: Aged, Blind, and Disabled Medicaid**

**Change No: 18-10**

**To: County Directors of Social Services**

**Effective: 11/01/10**

**Make the following change(s)**

## **I. BACKGROUND**

The North Carolina Food Assistance program increased the Standard Utility Allowance with DSS Change Notice #6-2010. This amount is used in calculating the Community Spousal Income Allowance.

Effective November 1, 2010 the NC Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) program will no longer be administered by DMA Third Party Recovery staff. DMA has partnered with Healthcare Management Systems (HMS) to assume responsibilities of administering the program on behalf of the Division.

## **II. CONTENT OF CHANGE**

**A. MA-2270, Long Term Care Need and Budgeting, Table C has been updated with the increased Standard Utility Allowance amounts.**

**B. MA-2301. VI. H., Conducting a Face-to-Face Intake Interview, the HMS mailing address replaced the DMA Third Party Recovery address.**

## **III. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION**

Apply this policy to any applications or redeterminations taken or in process on or after November 1, 2010.

## **IV. MAINTENANCE OF MANUAL**

**A. Remove: MA-2270, Long Term Care Need and Budgeting, Tables, page i, ii.**

**Insert:** [MA-2270](#), Long Term Care Need and Budgeting, Tables, page i, ii, effective 11/1/2010.

**B. Remove:** MA-2301, Conducting a Face-to-Face Intake Interview, page 19, 20.

**Insert:** [MA-2301](#), Conducting a Face-to-Face Intake Interview, page 19, 20, effective 11/1/2010.

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

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