

DMA CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 03-18, HEALTH COVERAGE FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES (HCWD) PREMIUMS

DATE: MARCH 20, 2018

Manual: Aged, Blind, and Disabled Medicaid

Change No: 03-18

To: County Directors of Social Services

Effective: April 1, 2018

I. BACKGROUND AND CONTENT OF CHANGE

Health Coverage for Workers with Disabilities (HCWD) provides coverage to disabled individuals age 16 through 64 who are engaged in Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA). Those whose total countable monthly income exceeds 200% of Federal Poverty Level (FPL) must pay a monthly premium. The premium is calculated based on the FPL and participation.

II. POLICY UPDATE

- A. MA-2180.IV.H, Health Coverage for Workers with Disabilities section is updated to reflect the 2018 premiums for HCWD individuals.**
- B. Local department of social services (dss) must notify current HCWD participants with monthly premiums of the increase via DSS-8110/DSS-8110S, Your Benefits Are Changing.**
- C. Forced eligibility is needed to process HCWD premiums in NC FAST. Use the Job Aid [Forced Eligibility](#) in NC FAST Help.**

III. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This policy is effective April 1, 2018.

If you have questions regarding information in this letter, please contact your Operational Support Team Representative.

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Dave Richard
Deputy Secretary for Medical Assistance