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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 04-22  
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS  
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS  
ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES  
ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: 2004/2005 FAMILY-MEMBER MAXIMUM BASE ALLOCATION AMOUNT

This is to provide counties with the updated family-member maximum base allocation amount (per Section 1924(d) of the Social Security Act). The family-member maximum base allocation amount is used to determine how much the long-term care (LTC) beneficiary may allocate to family members. Effective July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005, this family-member base allocation amount (for use in Section IX, A.2 and B.2 of the Allocation/Special Deduction Worksheet B--Form MAW (1/90)) for a family member living with the community spouse of a beneficiary with LTC status is \$1,562. (The 2002/2003 family-member maximum base allocation amount was \$1,515.)

Please direct questions concerning the family-member maximum base allocation amount to Mr. Dave Rappolee at (916) 552-9517.

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