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Date: April 23, 1990

Division: Medical Assistance

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Medicaid Model Waivers - Care At Home Program

ATTACHMENTS: There are no attachments to this LCM.

The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify the process necessary to establish a family's ineligibility for Medicaid as a prerequisite to application for the Medicaid Model Waiver Programs, Care At Home I (CAH I) and Care At Home II (CAH II).

Medicaid ineligibility for a family interested in applying for the Care At Home Programs should be simply documented using either excess income or excess resources. An in-depth financial review is not required so long as the family is apprised of their right to have such a comprehensive determination undertaken should they so desire.

Once the family has been determined to be ineligible for Medicaid, the child's eligibility must be determined. Occasionally a child may have his or her own income or resources (e.g. as a result of an insurance settlement) which would render him/her ineligible for Medicaid.

Since participation in the Care At Home Programs is contingent in part upon the child's continued Medicaid eligibility, the child's eligibility status must be redetermined periodically (at least annually). The family's Medicaid ineligibility does not have to be redetermined. The family will continue to be considered ineligible until such time as they wish to submit a new Medicaid application.

Questions concerning the model waiver programs should be addressed to Ms. Linda Reese at 1-800-342-4100, extension 3-5491.

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