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MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY MANUAL TRANSMITTAL LETTER NO. 122

To: All Medicaid Eligibility Manual Holders

From: John B. McCarthy, Director

Subject: MAGI-Based Medicaid: Household income and tax dependent status

This MEMTL contains one amended and made new rule from Chapter 5160:1-4 of the Administrative Code.

The effective date of the rule is August 1, 2016.

Chapter 4 Medicaid for Families and Children

5160:1-4-01 MAGI-based Medicaid: income and household income

This rule was amended and made new to revise the process for determining household income for MAGI-based Medicaid eligibility determinations to exclude the income of a tax dependent who meets the definition of a qualifying child or qualifying relative as defined in 26 U.S.C 152 and who is not expected to be required to file income taxes. Additionally, in determining household income, when a parent (natural, adopted, or step-parent) and child (natural, adopted, or step-child) live in the same home, the parent will always be considered a part of the child's household, regardless of tax filing status and regardless of whether the child is claimed as a tax dependent. Further changes include removing restrictions on MAGI-based Medicaid individuals applying for long-term care services.