



Medicaid Eligibility Procedure Letter No. 126

Effective Date: July 1, 2017

OAC Rules: 5160:1-3-04.3

To: All Medicaid Eligibility Manual Holders

From: Barbara R. Sears, Director

Subject: Medicaid: 2017 Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance (MMMNA) and Excess Shelter Allowance (ESA) Standards

Reason for Change: Annual changes to the Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance (MMMNA) and the Excess Shelter Allowance (ESA) standards are effective with the second quarter following publication of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) guidelines, per federal requirements established in 42 U.S.C. 1396r-5(d). The Department of Health and Human Services provided the updated FPL guidelines in January, making July 1, 2017, the effective date for the new MMMNA and ESA standards.

This table shows the 2016 standards and the updated 2017 standards in **bold**.

	2016	2017
MMMNA Standard	\$2,003	\$2,030
ESA Standard	\$601	\$609

Action Required:

A mass change will not be run this year. The increased amounts will be reflected in Ohio Benefits beginning with the July 1, 2017 budgets when EDBC is run at renewal or to process changes.