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SUBJECT: 2020 Automated Renewal of Medicaid Only Assistance Groups

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The purpose of this transmittal is to inform staff of the Automated Renewal Process for SSI Related Medicaid Assistance Groups.

Annual Renewal Requirement

Federal regulations require that each Medicaid assistance group (AG) be renewed annually to evaluate items subject to change. For most Medicaid coverage groups, the review is handled by customers completing an on-line renewal or Interim Contact form. Not all Medicaid assistance groups are equally likely to experience changes potentially affecting their eligibility.

Other than changes in the amount of benefits received from Veterans Administration (VA), Social Security and/or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) in SSI-Related Medicaid, Medically Needy and Medicare Savings Programs (MSP) AG's whose only income is from these sources are not likely to experience changes that would affect their eligibility.

Automated Renewal

During the month of January 2020, an automated renewal will be conducted on specific assistance groups. These assistance groups have stable income which is updated annually and provided to the state via electronic data matching and are not likely to have additional changes affecting eligibility. The automated renewal will be processed on assistance groups that meet the criteria provided below, and the eligibility review date on AWER will be changed to 02282021.

- Medicare Savings Programs (QMB, SLMB, QI1) with or without Medically Needy, with budgeted income limited to Social Security or SSI, with or without VA benefits

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- SSI-Related Medicaid groups (MH, MI, MM S, MT and MW) with budgeted income limited to Social Security or SSI, with or without VA benefits
- SSI-Related Medically Needy groups (NS) with budgeted income limited to Social Security or SSI, with or without VA benefits

Note: The above does not apply if the only income is VA benefits.

The assistance groups listed below will be considered to have met the annual renewal requirement and will be assigned a new eligibility span.

CLRC will be updated with Medicaid AG Review date extended to 02/28/2021.

This action will affect 881,365 assistance groups comprised of 564,649 individuals. The below chart includes the number of assistance groups extended by type.

Medicare Savings Programs

Assistance Group	Number Extended
QMB	287,813
SLMB	111,498
QI1	52,750

SSI Related Medicaid (Protected)

Assistance Group	Number Extended
MT C	429
MT D	536
MT W	42

SSI Related Hospice Medicaid (MH)

Assistance Group	Number Extended
MH A	1
MH H	2,173
MH M	19
MH S	241

SSI Related Institutional Care Medicaid (MI)

Assistance Group	Number Extended
MI I	32,693
MI M	392
MI S	2,802
MI T	6

SSI Related Medicaid (Community)

Assistance Group	Number Extended
MM S	11,767
MW A	44,390
NS	333,813

Regional Program Offices with policy questions related to this transmittal should submit them through the Policy Technical Assistance Request page.

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