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**TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES
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 FAMILY INVESTMENT SUPERVISORS AND ELIGIBILITY STAFF
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FROM: LA SHERRA AYALA, FIA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 
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RE: JUNE 2023 MASS MODIFICATION

**PROGRAM AFFECTED: LONG-TERM CARE MEDICAID (LTC)
 WAIVER PROGRAMS (WV) PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO ADULTS (PAA)**

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

SUMMARY

Effective July 1, 2023, the Personal Needs Allowance, Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance (MMMNA), and the Excess Shelter Standard (Community Spouse Monthly Housing Allowance) increased.

Each year, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) provides notification of changes to the Personal Needs Allowance, the Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance (MMMNA), and the Excess Shelter Standard (Community Spouse Monthly Housing Allowance) per updates from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

These changes have the potential to impact Long-Term Care Medicaid (LTC), Waivers (WV), and Public Assistance to Adults (PAA).

The changes took effect on July 1, 2023, and E&E was updated to ensure these changes apply to cases beginning on July 1, 2023. This Information Memo identifies changes included in the June 2023 Mass Modification.

SYSTEM UPDATES:

- The Personal Needs Allowance increased to \$98.
- The Basic Maintenance and Shelter Allowance (MMMNA) increased to \$2,465.
- The Excess Shelter Standard (Community Spouse Monthly Housing Allowance) increased to \$739.

INQUIRIES:

If you have any questions regarding this Information Memo or any other program policies, please submit it using the [FIA Policy Information Request Form](#). If you work in Montgomery County, you may submit your policy questions via email at fia.policy@maryland.gov. For systems questions, please email fia.bsdm@maryland.gov.

For MA policy questions: Direct Non-MAGI and MAGI policy questions to the Maryland Department of Health, Office of Eligibility Services at mdh.oesinquiries@maryland.gov.

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