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**TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES
 DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR FAMILY INVESTMENT,
 FAMILY INVESTMENT SUPERVISORS AND ELIGIBILITY STAFF
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 ELIGIBILITY STAFF**

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**RE: PARIS ALERTS ASSOCIATED WITH NON-MAGI MA
 CASES**

**PROGRAM AFFECTED: MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (MA)
 LONG-TERM CARE MEDICAID (LTC)
 WAIVER (WV)**

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

SUMMARY:

As a result of the end of the Medicaid continuous coverage requirement on April 30, 2023, and the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE) on May 11, 2023, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has issued a new policy related to Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) alerts.

This policy prevents states from acting on PARIS alerts if they are more than six months old. Additionally, states can only act on PARIS alerts that are less than six months old if a redetermination has been conducted on the case within the previous 12 months.

This action transmittal outlines this new PARIS alert policy, and the actions required of the Local Departments of Social Services (LDSS) and Office of Long-Term Care (OLTC) for non-Modified Adjusted Gross Income (non-MAGI) cases in the Eligibility and Enrollment (E&E)

system.

REQUIRED ACTION:

- Beginning on May 1, 2023, the LDSS/OLTC should only act on PARIS alerts that are less than six months old.
- If the PARIS alert is less than six months old, the LDSS/OLTC can only act upon the PARIS alert if a redetermination was conducted on the case within the past 12 months.
- The PARIS alerts included in this policy are:
 - PARIS Federal Match;
 - PARIS State Match; and
 - PARIS Veteran Match.

PARIS Alerts More Than Six Months Old

- Beginning May 1, 2023, the LDSS/OLTC should not act on PARIS alerts if they are more than six months old.
 - The LDSS/OLTC should disposition all PARIS alerts older than 6 months old with a disposition code of **D02 -No Action Necessary**.
 - The LDSS/OLTC should clearly narrate the disposition of the alert, and the reason for the disposition.

NOTE: A request has been made for an update to the E&E system to automatically remove a PARIS alert if a duplicate PARIS alert is generated. Updates will be provided as they become available.

PARIS Alerts Less Than Six Months Old

- PARIS alerts less than six months old can only be acted upon if a redetermination was completed on the case within the past 12 months.
 - If a redetermination was not conducted within the past 12 months, the LDSS/OLTC should disposition the PARIS Alert with a disposition code of **D02-No Action Necessary**.
 - If a redetermination was conducted within the past 12 months, the LDSS/OLTC can take the appropriate action on the alert.
 - The LDSS/OLTC should clearly narrate all actions taken related to the PARIS alert, including the disposition of the alert and the reason for the disposition.

INQUIRIES:

If you have any questions regarding this Action Transmittal or any other program policies, please submit them 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 MAGI and Non-MAGI policy questions to the Maryland

Department of Health, Office of Eligibility Services at mdh.oesinquiries@maryland.gov.

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