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

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RE: INCREASE IN PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE

PROGRAM AFFECTED: PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO ADULTS (PAA) AND LONG-TERM CARE (LTC) MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

SUMMARY

In accordance with Action Transmittal #22-09, the 2022 Social Security (RSDI) and Cost of Living Increase: an increase in the personal needs allowance **only** was implemented. All other information and guidance specified in Action Transmittal # 22-09 **have not** changed.

Effective 7/1/22, the personal needs allowance for all PAA and Long-Term Care cases, including Maryland Department of Health (MDH) Rehabilitative Residence cases, increased from \$84 to **\$93**.

REQUIRED ACTION:

No action is required by the local departments. The E&E system has been updated to reflect the new PNA amount of \$93 effective 7/1/2022.

INQUIRIES:

Please direct policy questions to the Office of Statewide Policy Compliance and Customer Service Performance by completing the [FIA Policy Information Request Form](#) found on Knowledge Base or via email at fia.policy@maryland.gov for Montgomery County only.

For systems questions, please email fia.bsdm@maryland.gov.

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

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