CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 02-25, 2025 COMMUNITY SPOUSE RESOURCE ALLOWANCE

DATE: March 11, 2025

Manual: Family and Children's Medicaid

Change No: 02-25

To: County Directors of Social Services

I. BACKGROUND AND CONTENT OF CHANGE

The Division of Health Benefits updated MA-3332, Community Spouse Resource Protection with the current Community Spouse Resource Allowance (CSRA) amount. The CSRA is updated when the Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) increases on January 1st of the current year.

II. POLICY UPDATE

MA-3332.V.B.2. has been updated with the following:

If the total countable /available reserve for the month of the CPI began is:

- a. \$31,584or less: PROTECT ALL ASSETS
- b. More than \$31,584, but not more than \$63,168 PROTECT \$31,584.
- c. More than \$63,168 but not more than \$315,840: PROTECT ONE HALF.
- d. More than \$315,840 PROTECT \$157,920.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This is effective January 1, 2025.

If you have any questions regarding information in this letter, please contact your <u>Operational Support</u> Team Representative.

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Deputy Secretary, NC Medicaid