I. CONTENT OF CHANGE

A. MA-2310, Taking the LIS Application, and Figure 2, reflects updated resource limits, basic coverage, and co-payment information for 2008.

B. MA-2311, LIS Processing and Maintenance, and Figures 1 and 2 reflect updated resource limits, basic coverage, and co-payment information for 2008 and eliminates policy relating to the LIS eligibility period for applications taken January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006. The eligibility period for LIS applications is 12 calendar months beginning with the month of application.

B. MA-2312, Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit, Figures 3 and 4 are eliminated. To obtain information concerning Medicare Advantage and Stand-Alone Drug Plans, a link to the Department of Insurance SHIIP Web Site is included.

II. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This policy is effective upon receipt. Apply this policy to any applications or redeterminations in process or taken on or after receipt of this policy.

III. MAINTENANCE OF MANUAL

A. Remove: MA-2310, Taking the LIS Application, pages 3-4 and Figure 2.

B. Insert: MA-2310, Taking the LIS Application, pages 3-4 and Figure 2, dated 1/1/08.

C. Remove: MA-2311, LIS Processing and Maintenance, pages 1-2, 5-8, and Figures 1, 2, 3 and 4.
D. Insert: **MA-2311**, LIS Processing and Maintenance, pages 1-2, 5-8, and Figures 1, 2, 3, and 4 dated 1/1/08.


F. Insert: **MA-2312**, Prescription Drug Benefit, pages 11-12 dated 1/1/08.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your Medicaid Program Representative. For any issues that are not able to be handled through that venue, Mrs. Angela Floyd, Assistant Director for Recipient and Provider Services, will be your point of contact and can be reached at (919) 855-4000.

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