Policy Clarification- Medicaid- Long Term Care PMN 17678-468

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Agency: CAOs

Subject: October 2015 Mass Change

Question:

Will there be an automated mass change of Long Term Care (LTC) spousal records this October? Will the Standard Utility Allowances (SUAs) used to compute the spousal allowance in LTC budgets change effective October 1, 2015?

Response By: Division of Health Services

Date:

Yes, the automated mass change for LTC spousal records will run the weekend of October 4, 2015. Two of the SUAs will change in October 2015. The SUAs that will increase are the Heating and Non-Heating SUAs. The SUAs effective October 1, 2015 are as follows:

Heating Standard =	\$570.00
Non-Heating Standard =	\$296.00
Homeless Standard=	\$143.00
Limited SUA=	\$55.00
Telephone SUA=	\$33.00

In order for the change in the cost of care to be effective October 1, 2015, alerts generated with the automated mass change must be processed no later than October 31, 2015.

This policy clarification supersedes PMN 17269-468 - October 2014 Mass Change.