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Subject: Revised 2024 Federal Poverty Income Guidelines (FPIGs)

Question: What are the new FPIGs for 2024 and when were they effective?

Response By: Division of Health Services Date: January 26, 2024

The 2024 FPIGs are effective January 11, 2024, for Medical Assistance (MA) and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Attached are new charts with the updated FPIGs for MA and CHIP. Handbook updates will be issued shortly.

NOTE: Federal regulations require that a Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) be disregarded for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)-related MA budgets (including Long-Term Care (LTC)) until the month following the month that the FPIGs are published.

Example: The FPIGs are usually published in January. The disregard month for the affected budgets would be February, and the effective date for updated COLA and FPIGs would be March 1. During the disregard month (e.g., February), the affected budgets will display the COLA increase as a Type 18 deduction. The Type 18 deduction will be removed by a batch process when the disregard month is over (e.g., March 1.)

The County Assistance Office will complete an eligibility review in March using the updated income and FPIGs for these budgets.

The affected categories are:

- Healthy Horizons: PH 80, PH 00, and PG 00
- MA for Workers with Disabilities: PW 80, PI 80, PW 66, and PI 66
- SSI-related Medically Needy Only: TA 80, TJ 80, TA 66, and TJ 66

- Buy-In budgets: TA 65, TA 67, TJ 65, and TJ 67
- All LTC Buy-In budgets with Program Status Code (PSC) 66 (not PSC 80 or 00)
- All Waiver budgets with PSC 80 and PSC 66 (not PSC 00)

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: MA Income Limits - 2024

Attachment 2: CHIP Income Limits - 2024