

FIA INFORMATION MEMO

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TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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RE: POST-PHE EXTENSION OF REDETERMINATIONS

PROGRAM AFFECTED: LONG-TERM CARE MEDICAID (LTC)

WAIVER PROGRAMS (WV)

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO ADULTS (PAA)

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

SUMMARY

As a result of the continuous coverage requirement related to the Public Health Emergency the first set of Medicaid (MA) case closures for failure to complete the redetermination process took place on May 31, 2023.

The Maryland Department of Health has requested the reinstatement of all non-Modified Adjusted Gross Income (non-MAGI) cases, which closed on May 31, 2023, with reason code 339 (MA coverage expired). These cases have been reinstated and assigned a redetermination due date of March 31, 2024.

Certain MA cases that closed on May 31, 2023, with reason code 339, also had a secondary closing reason. Many of these were not reinstated. These cases include those that closed with code 339 and:

- 244 (customer is deceased);
- 248 (head of household is deceased);

- 507 (dual participation);
- 554 (customer moved out of state); or
- 557 (customer requested closure).

Spend-down (S99) cases that closed effective May 31, 2023, were also excluded from the reinstatements.

In addition, all MA cases will remain open for an additional 30 days if the redetermination is not completed by the due date. This will continue through March 2024. Those cases that were due for redetermination on March 31, 2024, will be extended to April 30, 2024. No extensions will take place beyond this date.

This extension is intended to provide Local Department of Social Services (LDSS) and Office of Long-Term Care (OLTC) staff with an additional 30 days for case processing. Notices will not be sent to customers advising them of the additional 30 days.

REQUIRED ACTION:

No action is required of LDSS or OLTC staff.

INQUIRIES:

If you have any questions regarding this Information Memo or any other program policies, please submit them using the <u>FIA Policy Information Request Form</u>. If you work in Montgomery County, you may submit your policy questions via email at <u>fia.policy@maryland.gov</u>. For systems questions, please email <u>fia.bsdm@maryland.gov</u>.

For MHC systems questions and issues, contact the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange's Office of Consumer Assistance, Eligibility Policy & Business Integration at 410-547-6327.

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

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