Effective Date:
7/1/2020

Background:
Effective July 1, 2020, The Family Member Base Allocation (FMBA) changed.

Purpose:
To inform staff of the new FMBA.

Policy:
FMBA is used to determine the amount of income that an institutionalized beneficiary may allocate to family members. Effective 7/1/2020 the FMBA is $2,155.

Procedure:
Effective July 1st, 2020, use the updated FMBA when computing allocations to spouses and dependent family members of an institutionalized spouse and HCBS spouse. When made aware of cases that used the 2019-2020 amounts after 7/1/2020, recalculate the FMBA using the 2020-2021 amount.

Automation Impacts:
Until the FMBA is updated in CalWIN, calculate the FMBA amount manually and override to the appropriate aid code or SOC as necessary. Image the manual budgets in CERMS and narrate all case actions.

References:
ACWDL 20-13

Sunset Date:
This policy will be reviewed for continuance by 7/31/2021.

Approval for Release:

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