Effective Date
9/21/2021

Background:
The Family Member Base Allocation (FMBA) amount is used when determining how much income an institutionalized or Home and Community Based Services (HBCS) spouse may allocate to family members.

Purpose:
To inform staff of the new FMBA amount.

Policy:
Effective July 1, 2021, the FMBA amount is $2,178.

Procedure:
Effective July 1, 2021, use the updated FMBA to calculate allocations to spouses and dependent family members of an institutionalized or HCBS spouse. For cases that used the 2020-2021 amount of $2,155, recalculate the FMBA with the updated amount of $2,178.

Automation Impact:
Until the FMBA is updated in the CalWORKs Information Network (CalWIN), calculate the FMBA manually and override to the appropriate aid code or share-of-cost (SOC). Image the manual budgets into the CalWIN Electronic Records Management System (CERMS) and enter detailed case comments regarding all case actions taken.

References:
ACWDL 21-17

Sunset Date:
This policy will be reviewed for continuance on or by 9/30/2022

Approval for Release:

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