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RE: FAMILY AND CHILDREN (FAC) MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
TRICKLE/SPROUT CHANGES

PROGRAMS AFFECTED: MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

SUMMARY:
The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) identified a change in
the Family and Children (FAC) medical assistance trickling and sprouting
process. Effective August 25, 2008, CARES will be modified as follows:

- F01 will sprout to an F05 coverage group.
- If not eligible for F05 coverage, CARES will automatically trickle and test a case
for the following coverage groups in the order listed:
   o F02 – only eligible if overscale due to earnings and customer was active in
F01 and/or F05 coverage groups for 3 out of the last 6 months.
   o F03 – only eligible if overscale due to child or spousal support and
customer was active in F01 and/or F05 coverage groups for 3 out
of the last 6 months.
   o F98 – case will go straight into F99 spenddown unless found overscale
assets (denied or closed with primary reason code 401).
   o F99 – spenddown case will be created.

- Medical Coverage Group F04 has been discontinued.
- P-track AUs will continue to sprout as they did prior to July 1.

A flow chart of the new FAC trickle/sprout process is attached.

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INQUIRIES:
Please direct MA Policy questions to 410-767-1463 or 1-800-492-5231 (select option 2 and request extension 1463). Direct CARES questions to Joyce Westbrook at 410-238-1299.

cc: FIA Management Staff
       DHMH Management Staff
       Constituent Services
       DHR Systems Support Center

MA F-Track Flow

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