CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 05-21, 2021 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL CHANGES (FPL)

DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2021

Manual: Family and Children's Medicaid

Change No: 05-21

To: County Directors of Social Services

I. BACKGROUND AND CONTENT OF CHANGE

Federal law requires poverty levels to be adjusted annually on the basis of the Consumer Price Index (CPI). This letter issues the 2021 Federal Poverty Level (FPL) income limit effective April 1, 2021.

II. POLICY UPDATE

- A. MA-3321, MAGI Medicaid/NCHC Income Limits, has been updated with the 2021 income amounts.
- B. 2021 Federal Poverty Income/Reserve Limits are programmed in NC FAST. The system will use appropriate income/reserve limits for all applications and recertifications, including retroactive applications months.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

The 2021 FPL income limit increase is effective April 1, 2021.

If you have any questions regarding information in change notice, please contact your <u>Medicaid</u> <u>Operational Support Team Representative.</u>

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