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Re: Economic Stimulus Tax Refund/Rebate
Public Law 110-185

Dear County Director of Social Services:

On February 13, 2008, President Bush signed Public Law 110-185, The Recovery Rebates and Economic Stimulus for the American People Act of 2008. This law provides for tax credits and rebates/refunds to certain individuals. The rebates/refunds will be issued as checks and distribution of the checks is expected to begin in May 2008.

In an attempt to inform all our recipients about the rebate/refund checks, please see the attached information that will be inserted into the Medicaid cards mailed around April 1, 2008.

The rebates/refund checks will not be counted as income or as a resource for the month of receipt and the following two months for Medicaid for the Aged, Blind and Disabled programs. This is according to Section 101(d) of Public Law 110-185. For Family and Children's Medicaid programs, the rebates/refunds will not be counted as income or a resource for the month of receipt or any subsequent month in accordance with the Work First policy.

We encourage you to familiarize yourself with the Economic Stimulus Payment filing requirements, in order to be able to answer questions that our recipients may have. This information can be obtained at the IRS website, **www. IRS.gov**.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your Medicaid Program Representative. For any issues that are not able to be handled through that venue, Mrs. Angela Floyd, Assistant Director for Recipient and Provider Services, will be your point of contact and can be reached at (919) 855-4000.

Sincerely,

William W. Lawrence, Jr., M.D.

Attachment

