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Subject: 2013 Federal Poverty Income Limits (FPIL)

The information in this bulletin is for **MEPD**. The information in this bulletin is available at the following websites:

- Family Services - <http://ofs.hhsc.state.tx.us/mepd/mepd-bulletins.aspx> , and
- MEPD Handbook - http://www.dads.state.tx.us/handbooks/mepd_policy/index.htm.

The updated Appendix XXXI, Budget Reference Chart and the Handy Dandy Chart, reflecting the new FPIL amounts effective March 1, 2013 are on the OSS Website.

Background

This bulletin provides information on the following new FPIL 2013 amounts for:

- Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (QMB),
- Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries (SLMB),
- Qualifying Individuals (QI-1), and
- Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals (QDWI).

Policy/Procedure Update

QMB Income Limits

The new income limits for QMB cases with a medical effective date (MED) on or after March 1, 2013:

Individual: \$958 (+\$20 disregard) = \$978

Couple: \$1,293 (+20 disregard) = \$1,313

The QMB deeming figure is \$335. The resource limits changed in 01/2013 for the QMB program. They are \$7,080 for an individual and \$10,620 for a couple.

SLMB Income Limits

The new income limits for SLMB cases with an MED on or after March 1, 2013:

Individual: \$1,149 (+\$20 disregard) = \$1,169

Couple: \$1,551 (+\$20 disregard) = \$1,571

The SLMB deeming figure is \$402. The resource limits changed in 01/2013 for the SLMB program. They are \$7,080 for an individual and \$10,620 for a couple.

QI-1 Income Limits

The new income limits for QI-1 cases with an MED on or after March 1, 2013:

Individual: \$1,293 (+\$20 disregard) = \$1,313

Couple: \$1,745 (+\$20 disregard) = \$1,765

The QI-1 deeming figure is \$452. The resource limits changed in 01/2013 for the QI-1 program. They are \$7,080 for an individual and \$10,620 for a couple.

QDWI Income Limits

The new income limits for QDWI cases with an MED on or after March 1, 2013:

Individual: \$1,915 (+\$20 disregard) = \$1,935

Couple: \$2,585 (+\$20 disregard) = \$2,605

The QDWI deeming figure is \$670. The resource limits did not change in for the QDWI program. They are still \$4,000 for an individual and \$6,000 for a couple.

Handbook

The MEPD Handbook, Chapter Q, Medicare Savings Programs, will be updated with the June 2013 revision.

Training

All trainings will be updated accordingly.

Effective Date

The new 2013 FPIL are effective March 1, 2013. Use the updated FPIL beginning February 6, 2012 for any eligibility determination effective March 1, 2013 or later.