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This change is being made as a result of annual updates which are effective January, 2002.

SPOUSAL ASSET LIMITS AND SPOUSAL MAINTENANCE STANDARD MAXIMUM UPDATES

The minimum community spouse asset limit is \$17,856, the maximum is \$89,280.

The maximum SMS is \$2,232. The minimum amount will change in July, 2002.

RAPIDS will complete a mass change in December, effective January, 2002 for the following:

- C** The maximum SMS for Nursing Care and ICF/MR cases;
- C** The SSI Allocation Standard for SSI-Related Medicaid cases with deeming.

The new amounts are effective in RAPIDS beginning January, 2002.

RAPIDS will also update the Asset Assessment with the new minimum and maximum amounts effective January, 2002.

Appendix A, Chapter 10 was updated with the maximum SMS, SSI amounts and TRIP income limits which are effective January, 2002.

SSI UPDATES

New SSI amounts effective January, 2002 are:

Single Individual	\$ 545
Couple	\$ 817
SSI-Related Allocation Standard	\$ 272
300% of SSI Payment Level	\$ 1,635

The Medicare, Part B, Premium is \$54, and the QI-2 reimbursement is \$3.91 per month, effective January, 2002.

Policy questions should be directed to the OFS Policy Unit.

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