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This Change was made to comply with the requirements of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Health Service Act which requires eliminating health coverage's annual and/or lifetime benefit amounts at the next coverage year following September 2010. Income Maintenance Policy, Change 561 which became effective November 1, 2009, regarding required action when a WV CHIP recipient reached WV CHIP Annual and/or Lifetime Benefit Maximums no longer applies, effective July 1, 2011.

Any individual who was previously closed or denied WV CHIP benefits due to reaching the Maximums, will be able to receive WV CHIP coverage if *otherwise eligible* for the Program, beginning on or after July 1, 2011.

The following Changes were made:

Chapter 7

Table of Contents: Section 7.3, D was renamed.

Section 7.2,A & C: Policy regarding the requirement that the WV CHIP Annual and Lifetime Benefit Maximums be discussed in the interview was removed. EXAMPLES were updated.

Section 7.2, D: A NOTE regarding redetermination special procedures related to reaching the WV CHIP Benefit Maximums was removed.

Section 7.2, E & F: A reference to hearing requests due to implementation of Policy related to reaching the WV CHIP Benefit Maximums and a NOTE was removed. A typo was corrected.

Section 7.3,A, C: An EXCEPTION, closure reasons due to reaching the WV CHIP Annual or Lifetime Benefit Maximums prior to July 1, 2011 and an EXAMPLE were removed. A reference to evaluating WV CHIP AGs upon closure due to reaching Benefit Maximums was removed.

Section 7.3,D: Policy regarding closure of WV CHIP when an individual reached the WV CHIP Annual or Lifetime Benefit Maximums prior to July 1, 2011 was removed. Text was added to document that prior to July 1, 2011, Policy was in effect that correctly required negative action when an individual reached WV CHIP Benefit Maximums.

Section 7.14, A: An EXCEPTION was removed.

RAPIDS will be issuing information regarding Permanent Procedure 46 that relates to the WV CHIP Benefit Maximums.

Policy questions should be directed to the DFA Economic Services Policy Unit.

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