

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS AND  
ACCOUNTABILITY  
ADMINISTRATOR'S MEMO SERIES**

**NOTICE: 08-06**

**DATE:** December 10, 2008

**DISPOSAL DATE:** November 3, 2010

**RE:** 2008 and 2009 State and County  
Contract Covering Social Services and  
Community Programs – Appendix AL –  
Budget Initiatives - Additional Funding  
Allocations

**To:** County Departments of Human Services Directors  
County Departments of Social Services Directors  
Tribal Chairpersons/Human Services Facilitators  
Tribal Economic Support Directors

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**PURPOSE**

This memo provides information regarding the four new budget initiatives contained in the State of Wisconsin 2007-2009 biennial budget. These initiatives became effective January 1, 2008.

**BACKGROUND**

The 2007-09 Biennial Budget included a provision for additional funding for IM agencies for administrative costs associated with additional administrative requirements for the Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus Standard Plan and Benchmark Program. The four new budget initiatives include:

- Citizenship and identity documentation.
- EBD income verification.
- Medicaid deductible policy modification.
- Medicaid asset transfers.

Each of the initiatives requires specific administrative functions related to the funding. Listed below are the additional requirements:

- Documentation of citizenship and identity verification, and to pay for birth certificates or identity cards for those who may not be able to purchase them.
- Implementation of new income verification policies for new Elderly, Blind and Disabled members.
- Implementing new changes to the deductible policy.

- To do application reviews for individuals who may require long-term care services ensuring that the applications comply with the new federal requirements for asset transfers.

## **ALLOCATIONS**

The total funding for each of the 2008 initiatives (which were added to your 2008 Income Maintenance Administrative Allocation through a contract amendment) is listed below:

- Citizenship and identity documentation - \$1,131,900.
- EBD income verification - \$500,000.
- Medicaid deductible policy modification - \$100,000.
- Medicaid asset transfers - \$150,000.

The total funding for each of the 2009 initiatives (which has already been included as part of your Income Maintenance Administrative Allocation base for 2009) is listed below:

- Citizenship and identity documentation - \$754,600.
- EBD income verification - \$500,000.
- Medicaid deductible policy modification - \$100,000.
- Medicaid asset transfers - \$100,000.

Attached are worksheets showing each agency's individual allocation for each of the four budget initiatives in each of the two years.

## **CONTACT**

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Attachment: Allocation Worksheets