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TO: County Welfare Agency Directors

SUBJECT: VA Aid and Attendance (A&A)

Based on recent clarifications received from the federal government concerning VA Aid and Attendance, the following policies are to be applied in determining financial eligibility and post eligibility treatment of income.

1. An individual will not be denied eligibility for medical assistance if he or she chooses not to apply for VA Aid and Attendance.
2. Income received as a direct result of application for VA Aid and Attendance will not be counted in the financial eligibility determination.
3. Although the amount of income directly related to VA Aid and Attendance is excluded for the purpose of determining eligibility, it must be included with all other income when determining the amount of contribution to cost of care.

If you should have any questions, please contact the Field Service Supervisor I assigned to your county.

Sincerely,

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