

TO: Local District Commissioners, Medicaid Directors

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SUBJECT: Policy Change for Individuals Attesting to Zero Resources

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The purpose of this GIS message is to provide instructions to local social service districts concerning the Resource Verification Indicator (RVI) value and Coverage Code to use when (re)authorizing Medicaid coverage for applicants/recipients who attest to zero resources.

Social service districts were advised in 05 OMM/INF-2 "Questions and Answers: Resource Attestation" to use RVI value 2 (current documentation) for individuals who attest to having no resources even if the individual was not seeking Medicaid coverage for community-based long-term care services.

With the implementation of income attestation at renewal for individuals who are not seeking Medicaid coverage for long-term care services, the Department is revising this policy. Effective September 1, 2008, if an applicant/recipient is not requesting Medicaid coverage for long-term care services and attests to having no resources, RVI value 3 (Attest to the value of current resources) should be used with Coverage Code 20/24 (Community Coverage without Long-Term Care) or 22 (Outpatient Coverage without Long-Term Care), as applicable. Use of RVI 3 for individuals who attest to having no resources will ensure the renewal allows the recipient to attest to income.