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Medicaid Eligibility Procedure Letter (MEPL) No. 175

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To: All Medicaid Eligibility Manual Holders

From: Maureen M. Corcoran, Director

Subject: Medicaid: Residential State Supplement (RSS) Income Standard Increase

Reason for Change: With the passage of House Bill (HB) 33, the Residential State Supplement (RSS) Program payments will increase beginning July 1, 2023.

New Policy: Effective July 1, 2023, the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) is increasing the income standard for the Residential State Supplement (RSS) program to \$1,800/month. This is an increase from the current RSS income standard of \$1,300/month. The income standard is used to determine whether an individual is eligible for RSS. The allowable fee will increase from \$1,100/month to \$1,600/month. The allowable fee is the amount an individual receiving RSS pays to a living arrangement. The RSS Personal Needs Allowance (PNA) will remain at \$200/month.

	Current Value – Ends June 30, 2023	Future Value – Effective July 1, 2023
Income Standard	\$1,300	\$1,800
Allowable Fee	\$1,100	\$1,600
Personal Needs Allowance (PNA)	\$200	\$200

Action Required: Ohio Benefits has been updated with the new amounts. EDBC will be automatically run on all July and August RSS budgets to issue supplements in order to increase payments to match the new income standard. EDBC will also be automatically run on all September RSS budgets to ensure that the full benefit will be awarded.

This information is available on the Internet. The information may be accessed on the ODM website under the header **Resources for Providers > Policies & Guidelines > Medicaid Eligibility Procedure Letters (MEPLs)**:

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