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 Allocations Certification Community Plan Critical Information
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TITLE OF CORRESPONDENCE: Interim Biennial Budget Update

CONTENT:
The purpose of this memo is to provide you with information on how the department is handling the interim biennial budget provisions and to share with you recent and projected distribution of Medicaid FFP reimbursement.

Interim Biennial Budget

It is anticipated that the State of Ohio will have a second 7-day interim budget. It will keep the main operating functions of the State of Ohio open through July 14, 2009. Each agency will receive a percentage of funding for GRF and Non-GRF equivalent to one week. Agencies will receive guidelines on what is allowable during this period.

Currently, the first interim budget focused on meeting the State's payroll needs, the State's obligation to the Medicaid program, Debt Services, and critical functions necessary to run government.

In years past, we have looked to disburse funds for the first quarter on or around July 10. In the second interim budget, we will only have available to us a portion of the funds, therefore we will not be able to distribute them using allocation guidelines at this point. Once the budget bill is approved and appropriations restored, we will be in a position to make distributions to the boards in accordance with the approved allocation guidelines.

FFP & ARRA-Related Enhanced FMAP Reimbursement

On June 18, 2009 approximately \$14,110, 588 in FFP reimbursement was distributed to boards associated with MACSIS run dates 5/20/2009 and 5/27/2009. In addition, ARRA-related enhanced FMAP payments totaling approximately \$14,577,007 were distributed on June 22, 2009 for the time period ~~October 1, 2009~~ **October 1, 2008** through March 4, 2009. We anticipate distributing approximately \$11,766,554 in FFP reimbursement by

the end of next week associated with MACSIS run date 6/3/2009. We are also in the process of requesting approximately \$14,500,000 associated with MACSIS run date of 6/17/2009 which includes the ARRA-related enhanced FMAP rate that was put into production.

The department has also been notified that the new ARRA-related FMAP has been increased to 72.34% for July 2009 through September 2009 quarter. We had originally anticipated the enhanced FMAP to be 71.29%. Please note that this information is provided on an informational basis in advance of the official final publication of rates in the Federal Register. We will integrate the additional reimbursement into regular operations and boards will receive appropriate reimbursements at the new ARRA calculated FMAP.

REQUIRED ACTION: N/A

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