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SUBJECT: Wholesale Change Increases in Need Standards, RSDI and VA Benefits;
Spousal Impoverishment Income and Resource Maximums Increase;
Revised SSI Notices, COL Policy, DOM P-2 and P-6, and Appendix.

As of January 1, 2008, the following increases and revisions are effective:

- RSDI, SSI FBR's, VA Pension, Aid & Attendance and Compensation benefits increase by 2.3%
- Nursing Home/Hospital income limit increases to \$1,911.00
- Medicare, Part B premium increases to \$96.40
- The RSDI & VA increases received by QMB, SLMB, QWDI and QI-1 recipients were not calculated in the 12/07 Wholesale Change process but were increased in the March 2008 Wholesale Change of FPL cases. These increases are always disregarded until the FPL increases.
- The Spousal Impoverishment resource limit increases to \$104,400.00 and the monthly needs allowance to \$2,610.00

These increases are applicable for all eligibility determinations for the month of January 2008 and forward. Limits in effect prior to 01/2008 must be used for months prior to January.

As of March 1, 2008, the Federal Poverty Levels (FPL) increased as follows:

	<u>Individual</u>	<u>Couple</u>
QMB (100% FPL)	\$ 867 month	\$1,167 month
SLMB (120% FPL)	\$1,040 month	\$1,400 month
QI-1 & Healthier MS Waiver (135% FPL)	\$1,170 month	\$1,575 month
QWDI (200% FPL)	\$1,734 month	\$2,334 month
WORKING DISABLED (250%)	\$2,167 month	\$2,917 month

These increases are effective for all eligibility determinations for March 1, 2008, forward.

For any poverty level case approved after WC whose eligibility is retroactive to January or February 2008, use the RSDI and VA amount in effect prior to the 2.3% cost-of-living increase. MEDS will use the FPL in effect prior to the 03/01/08 increase for both months.

Revised SSI Notices, DOM-P6 and Appendix

The SSI notices of denial and termination have been revised to include all changes since January 1, 2008. The appropriate Appendix pages have been revised to include all changes since January 1, 2008. The DOM-P6, at-home pamphlet, has been revised to reflect the 2008 Federal Poverty Levels. The DOM-P2, nursing home pamphlet, has been revised to reflect the changes effective January 1, 2008. The revised pamphlets are located on the DOM website.

VOLUME III REVISIONS

Remove the following pages in Volume III and insert the revised pages.

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