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*Commissioner*

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*Executive Deputy Commissioner*

April 24, 2009

TO: All MBL Liaisons

Re: MBL Transmittal 09-2

Dear MBL Liaisons:

Enclosed is MBL Transmittal 09-2. This transmittal includes information regarding an enhancement to the Unemployment Insurance Benefits processing for the Medicaid Automated Budget and Eligibility Logic (MBL). Also included is an update to the MBL Shelter Type Table, which was previously sent as part of MBL Transmittal 08-2.

The change will be available on Production on 04/27/09. If you have any system questions, please call the contact listed on the applicable Transmittal Page.

Sincerely,

*Patricia Buttino*

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Enclosure  
cc: MA Directors

## MBL TRANSMITTAL

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**MaBel Subject:** Unemployment Insurance Benefit Disregard

**Affected Budget Type(s):** All

**Contact Person:** MBL Unit at (518)-408-0002 or (518)-408-0001

### Reason for Change

As a part of implementation of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, Unemployment Insurance Benefits (UIB) will be increased \$25.00 per week, effective 3/01/09. All Medicaid (MA) and/or Family Health Plus (FHP) applicant/recipients with the Unemployment Insurance Benefit will have the \$25.00 weekly equivalent of the ARRA disregarded when considering the amount of Unearned Income in determining eligibility.

### Change in Procedure/System Processing

For All MBL Budgets with a MBL Effective From Date greater than or equal to 3/01/09 and less than 08/01/10, utilizing the Unearned Income Source Code of "49 - Unemployment Insurance Benefit", MBL calculations have been changed to allow for a \$25.00 weekly disregard for the Unemployment Insurance Benefit. This weekly \$25.00 disregard will be subtracted from the Unearned Income Amount for the Unemployment Insurance Benefit and will not be displayed on the budget summary screen. The disregard is taken before any MBL calculations are performed. **This change will not affect MBL budgets with a MBL Effective From Date less than 3/01/09 or greater than 7/31/10.**

**MBL TRANSMITTAL****MaBel Subject:** MBL Shelter Type Table**Affected Budget Type(s):** All**Contact Person:** MBL Unit at (518)-408-0002 or (518)-408-0001

Attached is the updated MBL Shelter Type Table for Low Income Families (LIF) and Single/Childless Couple (S/CC). For MBL Shelter Type 44, the Pre Add has been updated to \$45.00. MBL uses the PA Needs Allowance (Pre Add) for Shelter Types 09, 12, 14, 15, 16, 22, 28, 29, 35, 42 and 44 which will not be affected by changes to the PA Needs Allowance table.

Code	Shelter Type	Pre Add	Shelter	Add'l Allowance Code	Standard Applied
01	Rent			01, 02, 03,13,99	New Std + water
02	Rent Public			01, 02, 03,13,99	New Std + water
03	Own Home			01, 02, 03,13,99	New Std + water
04	Room & Board			01, 02, 03, 99	New Std
05	Hotel Permanent			01, 02, 03,13,99	New Std
06	Hotel Temporary		Unlimited	01, 02, 03,13,99	New Std + unlimited Shelter
07	Migrant Camp			01, 02, 03,13,99	New Std + water
09	Medical Facility	40.00	Unlimited	99	No Change
11	Room			01, 02, 03,13,99	New Std
12	Non Level II Alcohol Treatment Facility	45.00	Unlimited	01, 02, 03, 99	No Change
14	Public Home	17.00	Unlimited	99	No Change
15	Congregate Care Level I (NYC, Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester)	PNA		99	No Change
16	Congregate Care Level II (NYC, Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester)	PNA		99	No Change
18	Foster Care		Unlimited		No Change
20	Emergency Rental Supplement Program			01, 02, 03,13,99	New Std + water
22	Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence	45.00	Unlimited	01, 02, 03, 99	No Change
23	Undomiciled			01, 02, 03, 99	New Std
28	Congregate Care Level I (Rest of State)	PNA Level I		99	No Change
29	Congregate Care Level II (Rest of State)	PNA Level II		99	No Change
33	Homeless Shelter Tier II – Less than 3 Meals/Day		Unlimited	01, 02, 03, 99	New Std + unlimited Shelter
34	Homeless Shelter Tier II – 3 Meals/Day			01, 02, 03, 99	New Std
35	Homeless Shelter Non Tier I or Tier II	45.00	Unlimited	99	No Change
36	Shelter for Homeless less than 3 Meals/Day		Unlimited	01, 02, 03, 99	New Std + unlimited Shelter
37	Residential Program for Victim of Domestic Violence		Unlimited	01, 02, 03, 99	New Std + unlimited Shelter
42/51	Congregate Care Level III	PNA		99	No Change
44	Supportive Specialized Housing	45.00	Unlimited	99	No Change