#### **Classic Medicaid Information**

	Oldest Document	<b>Total Cases</b>
Classic Medicaid: Spend Down Program	12/29	150
Classic Medicaid: Daily Spenddown Emergent Cases	1/5	1
Classic Medicaid: Alien Emergency Medical Program	12/27	25

# **Community Services Office Reopen Nov. 15**

- Primary access point will remain through the Call Center.
- Phased lobby reopening
- Phase 1:
  - EBT cards, gas cards, and bus passes
  - Authorized WorkFirst support services
  - CSO lobby phones to connect the Call Center

## Community Services Office – Phase 2 & 3 delayed per Governor's order

- Future phases include in-person services for those:
  - with reasonable accommodations or specialized needs
  - experiencing family violence or are in crisis
  - needing SSI application support
  - who cannot access services through the phone
  - Refugees working with advocates
  - ASL interpretation when no TTY service is available

## **Max Basic Food benefit amounts**

- Approved for January 2022
- All Basic Food households except for those with a \$0 issuance
- Temporary increase, and it will end when COVID Emergency ends.

## **Social Security COLA and Medicare changes**

- Social Security and Supplemental Income (SSI) beneficiaries will receive a 5.9 percent COLA for 2022.
- This may affect benefit amounts. Change letters will be sent.

CN Medica	CN Medical Standard (SSI payment standard)		
	2021	2022	
Individual	\$794	\$841	
Couple	\$1191	\$1261	

Medicare Part B Premium		
2021	2022	
\$148.50	\$170.10	

## **Voter Registration Assistance Extended!**

- DSHS offers Voter Registration assistance to applicants and clients.
- This assistance will now extend to 16 y/o and 17 y/o in households.
- Households do not need to request this. They will be offered automatically upon contact.

# MyDoc Verification Submission Service Average

- Due to the end of a contract, no new MyDocs accounts can be created.
- Current account holders can continue to use the service to submit documentation electronically.
- Mail, DropBox and Fax are still available.
- Fax is fastest (888-338-7410). Please include Client ID on all pages.

#### **Mid-Certification Reviews**

- January 2022 March 2022: Mid-Certification Reviews are waived
- No MCR letters will go out to clients

## **Questions?**

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