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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 25, 2011

TO: Ms. Sharon L. Summers, DMMA

Planning & Policy Development Unit

FROM: Daniese McMullin-Powell, Chairperson

State Council for Persons with Disabilities

RE: 14 DE Reg. 1011 [DMMA Proposed TANF & RCA Income & Resource

Exclusion Reg.]

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed the Department of Health and Social Services/Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance's (DMMAs) proposal to amend its financial eligibility standards for TANF and Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) programs based on changes in federal law. The amendments would result in the disregard of federal income tax refunds from countable income and resources for a period of twelve (12) months following the month of receipt. The proposed regulation was published as 14 DE Reg. 1011 in the April 1, 2011 issue of the Register of Regulations.

SCPD <u>endorses</u> the proposed regulation since the changes would benefit participants in the TANF and RCA programs.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact SCPD if you have any questions or comments regarding our position or observations on the proposed regulation.

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