

Who Pays – UPDATES

1. **TOOLS - Funding Flow Chart [page 13]:**
 - a. **GAMC** – GAMC ended March 1, 2011 (see updates #2 and # 5 below).
 - b. **“Other Resources” Handout** (bottom text box) – This is now called “Additional Resources”.

2. **TOOLS – Medical Funding Summary – MA [page 19]** – Due to the 3-1-11 Minnesota MA expansion, the MA “Basis of Eligibility” includes adults ages 21 to 65 without children (under 21) in the home. Gross incomes must be 75% FPG or less; no income deductions or disregards are allowed; no spenddown allowed. There is no asset limit. They cannot be eligible for or enrolled in Medicare Part A or Part B. Services will be provided from any MHCP provider, on a fee-for-service basis for an initial period until they enroll in a managed care health plan. {Source: DHS Bulletin # 11-21-02}.

3. **TOOLS – Medical Funding Summary – MA-EPD [page 21]** – American Indians (who verify their American Indian status) are exempt from paying monthly MA-EPD premiums. They can also be refunded MA-EPD premiums paid back to 7-1-09. {Source: DHS Bulletin # 10-21-20.}

4. **TOOLS – Medical Funding Summary – MinnesotaCare [page 23]**
 - a. Due to the Minnesota MA expansion, adults without children under age 21 in the home, with incomes at or below 75% of FPG will be MA eligible beginning 3-1-11. They transition to MA over a period of 6 months but will be MA eligible beginning March 1st; coverage will be retroactive.
 - b. American Indians (who verify their American Indian status) are exempt from paying monthly MinnesotaCare premiums. They can also be refunded premiums paid back to 7-1-09. Households with American Indian members whose MinnesotaCare coverage was cancelled for nonpayment of premiums effective June 30, 2009, or later, may be eligible to have their coverage reinstated. {Source: DHS Bulletin # 10-21-20.}

5. **TOOLS – Medical Funding Summary – GAMC [page 24]** – GAMC program **ENDED** on 3-1-11. Current GAMC enrollees will automatically be enrolled in MA starting 3-1-11. See update #2 above. {Source: DHS Bulletin # 11-21-02}.

6. **TOOLS – SSI Income Guidelines [page 45]** – The 1/1/11 - 12/31/11 are the SAME as the 2010 amounts.

7. **TOOLS - SSI Disability Guidelines – Special Senses and Speech (102.00) [page 48]** – New **hearing** disability guidelines. (Based on age at the time of the SSI disability decision):
 - A. Birth to age 5 years:**
 - **If NOT treated with implant** - Average air conduction hearing threshold greater than or equal to 50 db in the better ear. **OR**
 - **If TREATED with implant** – Considered a disability until age 5 or for 1 year after initial implantation, whichever is later.
 - B. Age 5 years to 18 years and NOT treated with implant - 1 of the following:**
 1. **Average air conduction hearing threshold** of greater than or equal to 70 db in better ear and an average bone conduction hearing threshold greater than or equal to 40 decibels in the better ear; **OR** average air conduction hearing threshold greater than or equal to 50 db in better ear, and marked limitation in speech or language; **OR**
 2. **Word recognition score** less than or equal to 40% in better ear determined using a standardized list of phonetically balanced monosyllabic words.

Age 5 years to 18 years and TREATED with implant – Age 5 yrs, or 1 yr. after initial implantation, whichever is later, a word recognition score 60% or less determined using the HINT or HINT-C.

8. **DHS – Family Support Grant [p. 129]:** Family annual adjusted gross income increased to \$92,100 or less.