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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

ATTENTION: Work First Administrators, Supervisors, and Staff

SUBJECT: Application Time Standards Chart for 2009

In a continuing effort to provide caseworkers with timesaving strategies, the Application Time Standards Chart for 2009 has been developed by the Division of Medical Assistance for caseworkers who work with Medicaid. However, Work First applications also serve as applications for Medicaid. This chart includes the calculated 13th, 45th, 60th and 90th calendar days for each day of the year in 2009. It also includes the sixth month date for each day. This chart may be utilized to determine the necessary application time standard rather than calculating each date manually.

This chart does not consider weekends and holidays in the 45th, 60th, and 90th day calculations. In order to determine the adjusted due date of an application, one must compare the due date listed on the chart to the calendar and your county holiday schedule. If the chart calculated due date falls on a weekend or county holiday, the adjusted due date is the next workday. The Adjusted Application Management Report in XPTR calculates and displays the adjusted due date.

We hope this information is beneficial. If you have any question, please contact your Work First Representative.

Sincerely,

Dean Simpson

Dean Simpson, Chief Economic Services Section

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Attachment <u>APPLICATION TIME STANDARDS 2009.xls</u>

cc: Sherry Bradsher Jo Ann Lamm Hank Bowers Work First Program Representatives

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