

MEMORANDUM

TO: Business Office Managers
FROM: Lola Davis
DATE: January 25, 2011
CC: CFOs, Division VPs, Larry Cash, Marty Schweinhart
RE: **Poverty Guidelines 2011**

The Department of Health and Human Services has issued updated Poverty Guidelines for 2011 (reference: Federal Register: January 20, 2011, Volume 76, Number 13 pp. 3637-3638).

| The 2011 Poverty Guidelines for the 48 Contiguous States and the District of Columbia | |
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| Persons in family | Poverty guideline |
| 1 | \$10,890 |
| 2 | 14,710 |
| 3 | 18,530 |
| 4 | 22,350 |
| 5 | 26,170 |
| 6 | 29,990 |
| 7 | 33,810 |
| 8 | 37,630 |
| For families with more than 8 persons, add \$3,820 for each additional person. | |
| 2011 Poverty Guidelines for Alaska | |
| Persons in family | Poverty guideline |
| 1 | \$13,600 |
| 2 | 18,380 |
| 3 | 23,160 |
| 4 | 27,940 |
| 5 | 32,720 |
| 6 | 37,500 |
| 7 | 42,280 |
| 8 | 47,680 |
| For families with more than 8 persons, add \$4,780 for each additional person. | |

| 2011 Poverty Guidelines for Hawaii | |
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| Persons in family | Poverty guideline |
| 1 | \$12,540 |
| 2 | 16,930 |
| 3 | 21,320 |
| 4 | 25,710 |
| 5 | 30,100 |
| 6 | 34,490 |
| 7 | 38,880 |
| 8 | 43,270 |
| For families with more than 8 persons, add \$4,390 for each additional person. | |

Please update your Charity Care Policies to use the new income guidelines effective February 1st, as well as any other policies that use the Poverty Guidelines. As noted in the Federal Register notice, there is no universal administrative definition of income that is valid for all programs that use the poverty guidelines. The office or organization that administers a particular program or activity is responsible for making decisions about the definition of income used by that program. To find out the specific definition of income used by a particular program, you must consult the office or organization that administers that program.