STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES MED-QUEST DIVISION

NOTICE TO HAWAII RESIDENTS FROM COUNTRIES WITH A COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION (COFA) WITH THE UNITED STATES REGARDING HEALTH CARE BENEFITS

Notice is hereby given that, effective December 15, 2010, the Department of Human Services will begin accepting applications for medical assistance benefits from non-pregnant Hawaii residents age 19 years or older who are citizens of countries with a Compact of Free Association with the United States (Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, and Republic of Palau), hereinafter referred to as "COFA Residents." Applications from COFA Resident children and pregnant women have been and continue to be accepted.

Applications from non-pregnant COFA Residents age 19 years or older dated on or after December 15, 2010 will not be denied due to citizenship, and eligibility will be determined the same as for U.S. citizens. These applications will be processed for statefunded medical assistance delivered through the State's existing Medicaid programs, such as QUEST, QUEST Expanded Access (QExA), and QUEST-ACE. COFA Residents age 19 years or older and not pregnant who applied for medical assistance before December 15, 2010 and were not determined eligible should file a new application on or after December 15, 2010.

Medical assistance applications may be obtained online at http://medquest.us/eligibility/Eligibility_App.html and from the following Med-QUEST Division eligibility offices:

Oahu Section 801 Dillingham Boulevard, 3rd Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96817-4582

Kapolei Unit Kakuhihewa State Office Building 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Room 415 Kapolei, Hawaii 96707-2021

East Hawaii Section 88 Kanoelehua Avenue, Room 107 Hilo, Hawaii 96720

West Hawaii Section Lanihau Professional Center 75-5591 Palani Road, Ste. 3004 Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740 Lanai Unit 730 Lanai Avenue Lanai City, Hawaii 96763

Maui Section Millyard Plaza 210 Imi Kala Street, Suite 101 Wailuku, Hawaii 96793-1274

Molokai Section State Civic Center 65 Makaena Street, Room 110 Kaunakakai, Hawaii 96748

Kauai Section 4473 Pahee Street, Suite A Lihue, Hawaii 96766

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