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Reentry Services Division

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MEMORANDUM FOR RESIDENTIAL REENTRY MANAGEMENT BRANCH STAFF AND CONTRACT PROVIDERS

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Subsistence collection-Home Confinement

Effective August 1, 2016 Bureau of Prisons (Bureau) policy was revised to remove the requirement for collection of subsistence from residents who are on home confinement. Effective August 1, 2016 facilities should no longer collect any subsistence from inmates who are in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons who are on home confinement. A contract modification will be forthcoming to address this modification to the current contract with an effective date of August 1, 2016, all contractors should implement this immediately and utilize this memorandum as a blanket waiver of subsistence for all home confinement residents until such time as the modification is received.

Returning to the community from prison is a complex transition for most offenders, as well as for their families and communities. Upon reentering society, former offenders are likely to struggle with lack of adequate education and job skills, limited housing options, and limited financial resources. These obstacles can ultimately contribute to a cycle of incarceration that makes it difficult for even the most well-intentioned individuals to stay on the right path and stay out of the justice system. The Bureau continues to support reentry objectives for the successful return of offenders to become productive members of their communities. Amongst these efforts is the most recent approval of changes made to Bureau policy

which has removed the requirement for payment of subsistence while on home confinement.

Change Notices to Program Statements 7320.01 Home Confinement and Program Statement 7300.09, Community Corrections Manual were issued effective August 1, 2016. The change in policy now stipulates that any inmate who transfers to the home confinement component of the Residential Reentry Center (RRC) program is no longer required to pay subsistence while on home confinement. This change was the result of an ongoing analysis of inmate reentry needs and prioritization of reentry goals. The Bureau will continue to seek methods to lower the hurdles inmates may encounter upon their return to the community, and to assist in successful reentry.

If there are any questions concerning this memorandum, please contact your Residential Reentry Manager or the Sector Management Team.