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To: All Veterans Service Officers and all Department of Veterans' Services Staff

From: Secretary Cheryl Lussier Poppe, Department of Veterans' Services

Re: Maximum Asset Allowance Table pursuant to MGL c. 115 Section 2 and 108

CMR 6.02(5)

Date: June 4, 2021

On March 29, 2021, the Department of Veterans' Services temporarily increased the Asset Table which provides the maximum asset allowance pursuant to 108 CMR 6.02(5). The purpose of this increase was to accommodate Veterans who receive Chapter 115 benefits and who were provided with federal stimulus funds during the COVID-19 pandemic. As we prepare for the ending of the State of Emergency declared by Governor Baker, I have decided to make this increase to the Asset Table permanent. The Asset Table was last increased on December 18, 2014 and in an effort to keep up with increases to the cost of living, the following shall be the maximum asset allowances pursuant to 108 CMR 6.02(5).

Number of Applicants	Maximum Asset Allowance
Combined Assets of a Single Recipient	\$8,400
Combined Assets of a Recipient and Dependents as defined in 108 CMR 3.05(1)	\$16,600

If you have any questions about this guidance, please feel free to contact our General Counsel, Matthew Deacon at matthew.deacon@mass.gov. Thank you for all the hard work you continue to do helping our Veterans each and every day.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Lussier Poppe

Secretary

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