**Section 105.20 Allocation of Grant Funds**

a) The Department shall allocate financial assistance for each county from sums available for any fiscal year from the federal LIHWAP grant as described in the State's plan to HHS.

b) The Department shall determine allocations for each county from available funds. The funds available shall be allocated to each county based on the Index of Need, which is equal to a county's number of Persons in Poverty divided by the total number of Persons in Poverty in the entire state. "Persons in Poverty" is defined as residents at or below 150% of the OMB Poverty Income Guidelines.

c) The Department shall notify the designated LAAs of the county allocations for which that agency is eligible to apply via the application process determined by the Department.