

## Office of Child Welfare Programs

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**Number:** CW-IM-14-015  
**Issue date:** 10/27/14

**Topic:** Cash Payments

**Subject:** Chafee Housing Grants and TANF benefits

**Applies to (check all that apply):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging             | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aging and People with Disabilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Developmental                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children, Adults and Families      | Disabilities Services (ODDS)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>please specify</i> ): Child Welfare |
|   | Caseworkers and Eligibility Workers  |

**Message:**

The concurrent and duplication benefit rule is being changed to allow for individuals who receive a Chafee Housing grant to be able to receive TANF benefits during the same time period. Chafee Housing grants are not the same as a foster care payment.

**What this means for Child Welfare offices:**

Staff who determines eligibility for TANF should start applying this rule effective November 1, 2014 for any new intakes. For ongoing cases where Chafee Housing grants are in effect, there will be no overpayments issued for those cases who received both grants simultaneously during the period starting January 1, 2013.

**Training/communications plan:**

This Information Memorandum will serve as the communication method due to the limited number of cases impacted.

**For Questions contact:**

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