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Topic: CAF Self-Sufficiency Programs Family Services Manual (including some Senior and People with Disabilities programs)

Transmitting (check the box that best applies):

- New Policy
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Applies to (check all that apply):

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Policy/Rule Title:	Various (see Discussion below)		
Policy/Rule Number(s):		Release No:	FSML-52A, B, C, D & 53
Effective Date:	April 1, 2009	Expiration:	N/A
References:			
Web Address:	http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/em_firstpage.htm		

Discussion/Interpretation:

Please first update with the pages from Releases #52A

<http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/publications/ss-pt-09-007-52A.pdf>,

52B <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/publications/ss-pt-09-007-52B.pdf>,

53C <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/publications/ss-pt-09-007-52C.pdf> and

52D <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/publications/ss-pt-09-007-52D.pdf>

then with the pages from Release #53.

Release #53 <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/publications/ss-pt-09-007.pdf>

Changes were made to the following sections:

TANF

Domestic Violence

Changed to align with the rule change. The changes clarify what benefits are available under the program. (DV-h, DV-l, DV-j, DV-k)

Post-TANF

Monthly Post-TANF payment is reduced to \$100. (PT-a, PT-d)

Food Stamps

Continuing with FS/ERDC alignment, FS cases will now be allowed to use SRS with companion ERDC. FS certification policy was updated to reflect this change. (FS-b.13, FS-f.7, FS-f.8, FS-f.11, FS-WG#9)

Updated the Quick Assets Chart to incorporate the policy change on how to treat R & P Grants and VA Aid and Attendance Payments for FS. (FS-f.5)

Chapter was obsoleted. (FS-WG#6)

Child Care Assistance

Food Stamps and ERDC companion cases will be allowed to be in the SRS. ERDC will have flexibility in establishing lengths of APR certification periods up to 12 months to align end dates with FS cases. (CC-e.6)

Income reporting requirements will be 130% FPL (FS countable income limit) for both programs when in SRS. DHS 852, DHS 853, and DHS 854 have been revised to include ERDC information. (CC-e.7)

Medical Assistance Programs

Items were revised to remove references to the OHP Standard Reservation List application and process. (MA-b.1, MA-b.2)

Items were revised to clarify how the BED coding affects the OHP recertification process. (MA-d.5, MA d.6)

Item revised to clarify citizenship documentation policy for AENs. (MA-d.5)

Item revised to change policy. Adults who are not applying for OHP or who are ineligible for OHP do not need to be pended for pursuit of UC. (MA-d.7)

Item was revised to remove OHP Standard Reservation list policy and to add information about coding OHP-OPU cases with premium arrearages at recertification. (MA-e.8)

Worker guide added – BED Quick Reference Guide February 2009 (MA-WG#10)

Counting Client Assets

Added language to clarify when early withdrawal penalties may be deducted from unearned pension income. (CA-b)

Per FNS, the state is not allowed to disregard the first \$300 of the R and P grant. Generally the Resettlement Agency provides the funds via in-kind payments. Any cash received from the R & P grant is counted as unearned income for FS. (CA-b.66)

Per FNS, the state is not allowed to disregard the Aid and Attendance Payments received by a Veteran or disabled family member of a Veteran. All Aid and Attendance Payments are counted as unearned income for FS. The person receiving Aid and Attendance meets the FS definition of disabled. When the individual is paying someone outside of the filing group for care, the costs are allowed in the medical deduction. (CA-b.82)

Added clarification that UC benefits received while participating in a Trade Act activity are also countable unearned income. (CA-b.79)

Noncitizens

Added a link to the NC1/NC2 Calculation Cheat Sheet in Food Stamp Web Tools to make policy easier to apply. (NC-b.2, NC-b.3)

Implementation/Transition Instructions:

Training/Communication Plan:

Review policy changes with branch staff.

Local/Branch Action Required:

Review policy changes with branch staff.

Central Office Action Required:

None

Systems

Field/Stakeholder review: Yes No

If yes, reviewed by:

Filing Instructions:

Please file this material in the *Family Services Manual* as indicated below:

Remove

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Contact(s): If you have any questions about this *policy*, see Introduction C, Contact List, located in this manual for a list of program contacts.

If you have questions about the *filing instructions*, please contact Barbara Hopkins at the number/email address below.

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