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Topic: Cash Payments

Transmitting (check the box that best applies):

- New Policy
 Policy Change
 Policy Clarification
 Executive Letter
 Administrative Rule
 Manual Update
 Other: _____

Applies to (check all that apply):

- All DHS employees
 County Mental Health Directors
 Area Agencies on Aging
 Health Services
 Children, Adults and Families
 Seniors and People with Disabilities
 County DD Program Managers
 Other (please specify): Self-Sufficiency

Policy/Rule Title:	Rule: Specific Requirements; Pre-TANF Program Policy: Pre-TANF Program- Program Intent and Overview and Pre-TANF Program- Determining, Calculating, and Issuing Benefits		
Policy/Rule Number(s):	Rule: OAR 461-135-0475 Policy: FSM-Pre-TANF Program- A.2-H and FSM-Pre-TANF Program- D.1	Release No:	
Effective Date:	July 1, 2009	Expiration:	
References:	OAR 461-135-0475 and FSM-Pre-TANF Program- A.2-H and FSM-Pre-TANF Program-D.1		
Web Address:			

Discussion/Interpretation:

Temporary rule OAR 461-135-0475 is being suspended to return the Pre-TANF payments for basic living expenses to a maximum of 200 percent of the payment standard for the benefit group. This temporary rule suspension takes effect on July 1, 2009.

Background

As a result of legislation, for the period beginning April 1, 2009, OAR 461-135-1475 was temporarily amended to reduce Pre-TANF payments for basic living expenses to 100 percent of the TANF payment standard for the benefit group. Between April 1, 2009, and June 30, 2009, a family of three would have been eligible for up to \$485.

Effective July 1, 2009, a family of three in Pre-TANF will potentially be eligible for up to \$970 in payments for basic living expenses. This change will only affect Pre-TANF basic living expense payments made on or after that date.

Implementation/Transition Instructions:

Training/Communication Plan: The changes are being incorporated into existing training for self-sufficiency staff.

Local/Branch Action Required: Local manager review with staff.

Central Office Action Required: Revised the Family Services Manual (FSM).

Field/Stakeholder review: Yes No

If yes, reviewed by: Review pending. The OSSP Rules Advisory Committee will review the temporary rules related to this change on Tuesday, June 23, 2009.

Filing Instructions:

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