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This page notifies staff and the public of changes to the Cash and Nutrition Assistance Policy (CNAP) Manual regarding policy, procedures, and forms. Reminders and general information may also be displayed on this page. Prior What's Changed pages are listed in <a href="What's Changed History">What's Changed History</a> of the CNAP Manual.

The above list summarizes the information on this page. Each item listed above links to the corresponding section below.

The information on this page must be discussed during the weekly <u>policy dissemination</u> in every office which determines eligibility, reviews eligibility, or answers questions regarding eligibility. (<u>Current week's FAA-1215A</u>)

## Change: Standard Medical Deduction

EFFECTIVE DATE: For the benefit month of 08/2023 and ongoing

The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) approved an increase to FAA's Standard Medical Deduction (SMD) amount.

The SMD amount increases from the net amount of \$125 to \$145. AZTECS automatically applies the new SMD amount when the benefit month of 08/2023 is authorized. Therefore, no action is required from FAA Staff.

On 07/08/2023, FAA Systems plans to conduct a mass change. Ensure NA cases are in the current system month of 08/2023. Notices are going to be mailed to the budgetary units affected by the change.

## Policy reference(s) revised due to this change:

FAA5.I03E – NA Medical Expenses and Deduction

Prior Policy 07/03/2023

Revised for clarity and updated the SMD net amount from \$125 to \$145. (For the benefit month of 08/2023 and ongoing)

FAA6.A03J – <u>NA Medical Expenses – Effecting</u>

Prior Policy 07/03/2023

**Changes** 

Updated the net SMD amount from \$125 to \$145, (For the benefit month of 08/2023 and ongoing)

## Clarification: Purchase and Prepare Separate Verification

The CNAP Manual has been updated to clarify which sources are allowed to be used to verify purchase and prepare separate statements which include, and are not limited to, **any** of the following:

- A completed official application when the purchase and prepare separate question is answered and the application is signed by the participant.
- A participant's statement.
- The Separate Household Status Statement (FAA-0255A) form.
- The Separate Household Statement (F002) notice.

More information on purchase and prepare separate policy is available at <u>FAA2.A06</u> titled Determining Budgetary Units.

## General Information: Forms Update

Changes to Forms – 06/24/2023 through 06/30/2023

As a reminder, it is important not to save documents on your desktop or a folder. It is better to use the form you need directly from the <u>Document Center</u>. Forms are frequently updated and sometimes the current form must be used for programming purposes.

#### Revised forms:

No forms were revised during the specified period

#### Newly created forms:

No forms were created during the specified period

Revised Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

No revisions to marketing materials were made during the specified period

New Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

No new marketing materials were created during the specified period

#### Forms Archived from the Document Center

No forms were archived from the Document Center