What's Changed on 07/27/2020

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This page relays to 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 FAA6.R01 of the CNAP Manual.

The above list summarizes the information on this page. Within the CNAP Manual, each item listed above links to screens below.

Change: Reported Death of the CA PI Procedures

EFFECTIVE DATE: For eligibility determinations completed on or after 07/27/2020

This change was made to clarify the procedures when the death of a CA PI is reported.

When the death of a CA PI is reported and there are remaining budgetary unit participants the following apply:

● When a CA application is pending, deny the CA by keying the DH Denial Closure Reason Code on AFED.

● When the death of the CA PI is reported during an approval period, a CA EBT Alternate Card Holder may be established.

When a CA EBT Alternate Card Holder is not established, complete the following:

● Key the OU Participation Code in the PT field in SEPA next to the PI.

● Key the DH code in the INELIG RSN field in SEPA.

● Key the DH Denial Closure Code in AFED and close the case allowing for NOAA.

Policy reference(s) revised due to this change:

FAA1.D06B.01 – CA Payee - Death of the CA PI – PI Dies During the Application Process   Prior Policy

Added the Denial Closure Reason Code and notice when denying an application.
(Effective for eligibility determinations completed on or after 07/27/2020)

Added the procedures on what to do when the death of the CA PI is reported.
(Effective for eligibility determinations completed on or after 07/27/2020)

Reminder: Interviews

All applications registered on or after 07/01/2020 must be interviewed. For additional information please see the Urgent Bulletin emailed on 06/29/2020.

Reminder: Deprivation Eligibility Factor for Cash Assistance

Cash Assistance (CA) shares many eligibility factors with Nutrition Assistance (NA). A list of eligibility factors for CA and NA is located in the CNAP Manual at FAA6.O01A.

One eligibility factor that is exclusive to CA is deprivation of a dependent child. When a dependent child has been deprived of the care and support of a parent or both parents, the dependent child is potentially eligible to receive CA. Deprivation is the first eligibility factor to be considered when processing a determination for CA. When deprivation is verified, a parent, a sibling or a nonparent caretaker relative who live with the dependent child may also be eligible to receive CA.

For more information, see policy at FAA1.A11A which has been enhanced to strengthen the concept of deprivation.

General Information: Extended Benefit - Unemployment Benefit Claims

Starting July 17, 2020, the state law provides for the payment of up to 13 weeks of additional benefits during periods of high unemployment in Arizona.

The Extended Benefits (EB) period is available for those who have exhausted their regular unemployment insurance benefits as well as the additional 13-week extension provided by the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC).

The weekly benefit amount (WBA) under the EB program is the same as the participant received for regular unemployment compensation (between $184-$240 per week).

EB is budgeted as regular UI income and is countable for Nutrition Assistance and Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA). EB is not countable for Cash Assistance (CA).

Complete one of the following on UNIN:

● For NA and CA, key the UI Unearned Income Code
● For RCA, key the UI OT Unearned Income Code

Key the weekly amount on UNIC in the month it is received using the WK frequency code.

General Information: Forms Update

Changes to Forms – 07/18/2020 through 07/24/2020

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 Document Center. Forms are frequently updated and sometimes the

current form must be used for programming purposes.

Revised forms:

- Appeal Decision (FAA-1655A) form (English)
- Appeal Decision (FAA-1655A) form (Spanish)
- Pre-Approval for Negative Action (FAA-1339A) form

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