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## **General Information Memorandum**

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TO:

**ISD Employees** 

FROM:

Mary Brogdon, Director, Income Support Division

RE:

**Child Support Income Entered In ASPEN** 

DATE:

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This GI is to clarify how to enter child support income in ASPEN. Child support income, court ordered or otherwise is counted income for SNAP, Cash, and Non-MAGI Medicaid COE's. This income is excluded income for MAGI Medicaid, because the parent paying the child support likely already paid taxes on the income being paid as child support.

Child Support income will be entered under the custodial parent in the benefit group. If the custodial parent is excluded from the benefit group, the income will be entered under a member that is included in the benefit group. The purpose of entering the income under a member that is included is to make sure that the income is counted towards the calculation of the Cash benefits and the correct Cash monthly benefit is disbursed.

ASPEN will count or exclude child support income consistently for SNAP, MAGI Medicaid, and Non-MAGI Medicaid regardless of whether the income is entered under the custodial parent or child.

If you have any questions regarding this GI, please contact Suzanne Duran-Vigil at 505-827-7289 or <a href="mailto:SuzanneP.Duran-Vigi@state.nm.us">SuzanneP.Duran-Vigi@state.nm.us</a>.

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