

Susana Martinez, Governor Brent Earnest, Secretary Mary Brogdon, Division Director

General Information Memorandum

ISD-GI 18-33

TO:

ISD Employees and SL Start Employees

FROM:

Mary Brogdon, Division Director, Income Support Division

RE:

7.5% NMW Budgetary Adjustment

DATE:

June 14, 2018

The purpose of this GI is to notify ISD and SL Start employees that the 7.5% NMW Budgetary Adjustment will no longer be calculated into the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Education Works Program (EWP) benefits. Participants in these programs will see an increase to their monthly cash benefit or TANF Hardship grant amount effective July 1, 2018.

In referencing the ISD 017, Federal Poverty Guidelines, the column titled, "*7.5% NMW Budgetary Adjustment," will no longer be used. Instead, the column titled "NM Works Cash Net Income," will now become the Maximum Monthly Benefit. The column titled "Maximum Monthly Benefit" will no longer be used. The column titled "General Assistance," will not be changed.

When overall adjustments to cash assistance payments are made, corresponding adjustments in SNAP benefits shall be handled as a mass change and SNAP benefits shall be adjusted accordingly. As a result of the increase in the recipients monthly cash benefit, SNAP benefits will potentially decrease. If the household requests a fair hearing and the issue being appealed is that eligibility or SNAP benefit amount was determined incorrectly, please reference 8.139.120.13 NMAC.

If you have any questions regarding this GI, please contact Patricia Lucero at 505-827-7780 or PatriciaR.Lucero@state.nm.us.

Attachments: ISD 017 "Federal Poverty Guidelines"

Cash Assistance & Support Services October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018							
House- hold Size	Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG)			Maximum Monthly Benefit			
	100% FPG	85% FPG Gross	NM Works Cash Net Income	7.5% NMW Budgetary Adjustment*	Maximum Monthly Benefit	General Assistance	
1	\$1,005	\$854	\$266	\$22	\$24 4	\$245	
2	\$1,354	\$1,151	\$357	\$30	\$327	\$329	
3	\$1,702	\$1,447	\$447	\$38	\$4 09	\$412	
4	\$2,050	\$1,743	\$539	\$46	\$493	\$496	
5	\$2,399	\$2,039	\$630	\$5 4	\$576	\$580	
6	\$2,747	\$2,335	\$721	\$ 62	\$659	\$664	
7 7	\$3,095	\$2,631	\$812	\$69	\$743	\$748	
8	\$3,444	\$2,927	\$922	\$79	\$843	\$849	
+ 1	+\$349	+\$296	+\$91	+\$8	+\$83	+\$84	
DEDUCTION				WORK INCENTIVES			
Dependent Care: For a child under age 2 = \$200 For a child age 2 and over = \$175				Earned Income Disregard: Single parent = \$125 & 1/2 remainder Two-parent = \$225 & 1/2 remainder			
NM Works Cash Net Income is now the Maximum Monthly Benefit Effective July 1st, 2018				*7.5% Budgetary Adjustment is subtracted from the eligible NMW amount to determine maximum monthly benefit.			