BRIDGES QUARTERLY RELEASE

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EFFECTIVE

April 1, 2024.

Subject(s)

- 1. Guaranteed Income Program (GIP).
- 2. Michigan Combined Application Project (MiCAP).
- 3. Deceased FAP head of household (HOH) expungement.
- Miscellaneous.

1) GIP

BEM 503

All Programs

GIP is also, known as the Universal Basic Income Program (UBI). The GIP or UBI payments are funded solely from private and public funds or combination of both. They provide a modest cash income at regular intervals (such as, each month or year) to all individuals meeting minimal eligibility criteria.

Examples of the payments include the following:

- Detroit Jump Start.
- Flint RX kids.
- Grow Ann Arbor (GIG 2).

Do not enter the payment in Bridges, but the payment should be documented in the case.

Excluded as income and asset.

Reason: New type of income.

Medicaid Only

Guaranteed income pilot programs must be implemented in conjunction with MDHHS.

- Must be short term in nature, that is, less than 24 months.
- Must target low-income individuals and families.
- Must include a component that identifies the impact of short term guaranteed income payments on low-income families, for example, a research piece.

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2) MiCAP

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FAP Only

The MiCAP Food Assistance Program (FAP) monthly benefit amount is changing effective April 1, 2024.

If an individual's total shelter expenses (shelter plus heat and utility expenses) are:

- Below \$450 the FAP benefit amount is \$81.
- Between \$450 to \$749 the FAP benefit is \$142 per month.
- Equal to or exceed \$750, the FAP benefit amounts is \$261 per month.

Reason: FNS benefit change.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Individuals are considered to be receiving SSI even if their SSI is in a suspense status.

Reason: FNS waiver requirement.

3) Deceased FAP HOH Expungement

BAM 401E

FAP benefits will now be expunged from a deceased HOH's account after 62 days from the date the HOH's death was recorded in ebtEDGE.

Reason: FNS policy change.

4) Miscellaneous

BAM 803

Wording change from General Accounting Office to General Accountability Office.

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