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FIA INFORMATION MEMO

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TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR FAMILY INVESTMENT,

SUPERVISORS AND ELIGIBILITY STAFF

FROM: LA SHERRA AYALA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: ADDITIONAL MONTHLY \$100 TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE

BENEFIT

PROGRAMS AFFECTED: TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE (TCA)

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

SUMMARY

On December 19, 2020, Governor Larry Hogan announced that additional funding has been made available to the TCA program.

Policy Update:

Each active TCA household will continue to receive a **monthly** amount of \$100 **for each active household member** in addition to the household's regular benefit amount through December 31, 2021.

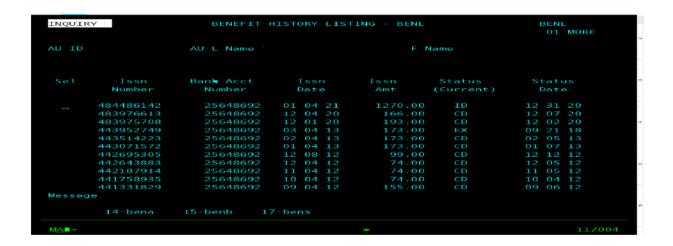
This action will be done automatically with no changes required on the part of the case manager to issue the benefit.

As long as we remain under a public health emergency declaration by both the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Governor Larry Hogan, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits <u>will not be impacted</u>. If the Emergency Allotment ends, the SNAP benefits the customer is receiving will be reduced. Additional information will be forthcoming in

the event that changes.

To view the benefit issuance in CARES please see the instructions and screenshots below:

- Navigate to the Benefit History Listing (BENL) screen.
- Enter a "Y" in the SEL column for this row and press PF15 for the BENB Screen.
- The Benefit History Detail (BENB) screen will have two rows:
 - One for the Governor's \$100 per active HH member.
 - One for the Regular/Initial Grant amount.
 - They will be distinguished by the Sub Account Numbers.





See the "How to Guide" on how to Process a Temporary Disability Assistance Program Application using the "HELP" icon in E&E.

INQUIRIES:

Please direct policy questions to FIA Policy by completing the <u>FIA Policy Information Request Form</u> found on Knowledge Base or via email at <u>fia.policy@maryland.gov</u> for Montgomery County only.

For CARES/systems questions, please contact <u>fia.bsdm@maryland.gov</u>.

c: DHS Executive Staff
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