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FROM: LA SHERRA AYALA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: TCA S100 EXTRA BENEFIT AND TDAP BENEFIT INCREASE

PROGRAM AFFECTED: TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TCA)
TEMPORARY DISABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TDAP)

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

SUMMARY

Effective January 2022, TCA recipients will continue to receive additional benefits on a declining scale from January 2022 through April 2022 (See chart below).

Effective January 2022, the TDAP monthly benefit amount will increase to equal 100% of the TCA household size of one. Currently the maximum allotment for a TCA household size of one is $328. The monthly benefit amount for TDAP will increase from $256 to $328 effective January 2022 and continue as the regular monthly benefit amount.
The TCA additional benefits will be issued on a declining scale as shown below:

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- The extra cash benefit for TCA will not count towards SNAP.
- TCA benefit amounts will return to normalcy effective May 2022.

**NOTE:**

- All TCA customers will continue to receive their regular monthly TCA benefits for their household size in addition to the extra cash funds through April 2022.
- TDAP customers will not continue to receive the extra benefit after December 2021. TDAP customers will receive an increase in their regular benefit amount from $256 to $328.
  - The increase in TDAP benefits will potentially impact the customers' active SNAP case. Notification will be provided to the customer if a change should occur.
- Do not issue underpayments for the extra benefit. This extra benefit will be automatically added through the system batch process.

**SYSTEMS UPDATES**
• The Bureau of Systems Modernization and Information Analysis (BSMIA) will perform a mass systems modification for the benefit changes.
• All active TCA and TDAP recipients will receive a notice of the benefit change.

**ACTIONS REQUIRED BY CASE MANAGER**

• None - The E&E system has been modified.

**INQUIRIES**

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