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TANF PROGRAM MANUAL TRANSMITTAL NO. 71

TO: OFI District Management, County Department of Family and Children Services, State Office Staff

FROM: DFCS/ OFI State Office TANF Policy Unit

DATE: February 23, 2023

RE: TANF Program Manual Transmittal 71

The purpose of this transmittal is to provide policy updates to TANF policy Chapter 1300 Basic Eligibility, Chapter 1500 Financial Eligibility Criteria, Chapter 1700 Case Management, and Appendix A TANF Financial Standards.

Minor corrections to previously approved policy and typographical errors have also been made where necessary but are not noted in this transmittal. In addition, minor changes, and rearrangement of sentences and/or paragraphs have been made for clarity.

The policy revisions include:

Chapter 1300- Basic Eligibility

- **Section 1310- Citizenship**
 - **Page 9- Afghan Humanitarian Parolees (Non- SI parolees)-**
Afghan citizens and nationals paroled into the U.S. between July 31, 2021, and September 30, 2023, are eligible for TANF until March 31, 2023, (or the term of parole, whichever is longer) in the same way a refugee is eligible for TANF.
- **Section 1320- Child Support Enforcement**
 - **Page 7- Obtaining Information-** Note added to refer to Section 1317, Continued Absence, for resources to use to attempt to locate the Absent Parent (AP) if an address is unavailable.
- **Section 1345- Personal Responsibility Requirements**
 - **Page 5-Guidelines for Requirements-** Note added that family planning is required to be included as part of the TANF Family Service Plan-196 even if the requirement has been met. Good cause and/or why a referral is not made must be documented.

Chapter 1500-Financial Eligibility Criteria

- **Section 1510- Treatment of Resources by Resource Type**

- **Page 1- Chart 1510.1- Types of Resources** -Source/Type added- Achieving Better Life Experiences Act (ABLE)- The Georgia ABLE program is named STABLE. The description is Stephen Beck Jr. Achieving a Better Life Experience Act (ABLE) aims to ease financial strains faced by individuals with disabilities by making tax-free saving accounts available to cover qualified disability expenses.

Chapter 1700- Case Management

- **Section 1710- Reviews**

- **Page 5- Conditional Forms**-Form 354 should be completed if Form 508 is not completed in its entirety.
- Form 489 must be signed and returned if the client is requesting an exemption.

Appendix A- TANF Financial Standards

- TANF 160% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) Grandparents Raising Grandchildren (GRG) Income Limits updated for 2023.

This transmittal is effective March 2023.