# NC Division of Aging and Adult Services CHANGE NO. 01-09

# DATE: May 18, 2009

Manual:	State/County Special Assistance for Adults
Subject:	Special Assistance for Adults (SA/ACH) Program Manual Updates
То:	County Directors of Social Services
Effective:	June 1, 2009

#### I. CONTENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CHANGE

#### A. SA Application Workbooks

- The DSS-8190-NS Special Assistance Workbook for Non-SSI Recipients has been renamed throughout all SA policy sections, to the <u>DAAS-8190-</u> <u>NS, Special Assistance Workbook for Non-SSI Recipients</u>, and moved to the DAAS forms web site.
- The DSS-8190-S, Special Assistance Workbook for SSI Recipients has been renamed throughout all SA policy sections, to the <u>DAAS-8190-S</u>, <u>Special Assistance Workbook for SSI Recipients</u>, and moved to the DAAS forms web site.
- 3. All hyperlinks to the forms now link to the Division of Aging and Adult Services forms web site.

#### B. SA/ACH Basic Rate Increase Effective January 1, 2009

- 1. SA/ACH Basic rates have been updated from \$1,173 to \$1,207 throughout SA policy.
- The SA/ACH Basic Maintenance Amounts have been updated from \$1,219 to \$1,253 (\$1,207 + \$46 personal needs allowance = \$1,253) throughout SA policy.

#### C. SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)

- 1. All SSI only FBRs have been updated from \$637 to \$674 throughout SA policy.
- 2. All SSI and other income FBRs have been updated from \$657 to \$694 throughout SA Policy.

## D. Miscellaneous Policy Changes

1. SA-3120, EIS Instructions for SA; Section V. Ambulation Capacity Code,

<u>C.</u>; This section has been deleted, as disenfranchised ambulation capacity codes "A" and "S" are now obsolete.

- 2. <u>SA Appendix D, Disenfranchised;</u> This section is obsolete, and has been deleted.
- <u>SA-3205, Transfer of Resources:</u> Figure 1, Important Information About <u>Special Assistance and Medicaid</u>; This figure has been updated in the online manual.
- 4. <u>SA-3205, Transfer of Resource; Figure 2, Life Expectancy Table;</u> This figure has been updated in the online manual.

## II. DAAS ADMINISTRATIVE LETTERS OBSOLETED BY THIS POLICY

DAAS Administrative Letter 08-13, Special Assistance Basic Adult Care Home Rate Increase, Effective January 1, 2009, is now obsolete.

DAAS Administrative Letter 08-14, Social Security Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA 2009) and VA Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA 2009) for Special Assistance Program, effective January 1, 2009, is now obsolete.

#### III. MAINTENANCE OF MANUAL

The following manual sections are reissued to reflect the changes and mandated requirements:

- A. <u>SA-3110, Application Process</u>
- B. <u>SA-3120, EIS Instructions for SA</u>
- C. <u>SA-3200, Resources</u>
- D. <u>SA-3210, Income</u>
- E. SA-3220, Budgeting Principles
- F. SA-3300, Administrative of Checks and Payments
- G. <u>SA-3310, Changes in Situation</u>
- H. <u>SA-3320, Redetermination of Eligibility</u>

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your <u>Adult</u> <u>Programs Representative</u>.

Sincerely,

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