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RE:

CHILD SPECIFIC BENEFIT

PROGRAMS AFFECTED: TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE, FOOD STAMPS, CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF POLICY ADMINISTRATION

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Office of Policy Administration has revised the original procedure for issuing benefits under the Child Specific Benefit (CSB) provision. The policy has been simplified and the process for determining the CSB benefit streamlined. The primary purpose of the CSB initiative is to provide a benefit which is paid separately from other TCA benefits for a household when a child is born 10 months or more after the head of household was informed of the CSB provision. The following are exemptions to the CSB provision:

- The first born child to a TCA recipient
- The child was born as a result of rape

- The child was born as a result of incest
- The child was placed in the household by the Department of Social Services
- The legal custody or guardianship of the child has changed

Until automated system support is available, as an interim procedure, the CSB benefit will be issued using a vendoring process.

A separate circular letter will be issued by the Child Support Enforcement Administration with specific instructions detailing procedures as a result of the CSB initiative.

#### **ACTION REQUIRED:**

Effective February 1, 1997 the following procedure will be used to implement the CSB provision. While no CSB benefits will be paid in February, changes must be made to cases which will determine March CSB payments.

#### AIMS/AMF:

A new field will be available in AMF on 2/1/97. This is a mandatory field used to identify the CSB status of children age 18 and under. (See attachments A1 & A2) The acceptable values for this field are 'Y' (Yes, a CSB child), 'N' (No, not a CSB child) and 'E' (CSB child, but exempt).

When a request to add a child is received, the CSB notification date must be reviewed on AMF and verified by information in the case record. If a CSB date is not on AMF, review the record and have the correct CSB notification date added. A decision must then be made to determine if this is a CSB child.

## CSB PROVISION NOT APPLICABLE OR CHILD IS EXEMPT

If the CSB provision is not applicable to a child (a child who is born less than 10 months after CSB notification date) or an exemption reason is applicable, the TCA AU is to be processed as usual. A separate issuance will not be required for the child's portion of the benefit, the total benefit amount will be issued as usual.

Enter a 'N' (No) or an 'E' (CSB child but exempt) in the CSB status field on AMF.

### IMPLEMENTING THE CSB PROVISION

When the child is a CSB child, inform the customer that the CSB child's incremental portion of the grant will be paid to and administered through a third party (as determined by local department procedure).

#### CSB TCA CASE WITH NO INCOME OR CSB CHILD SUPPORT

#### Calculation

The new benefit amount resulting from adding the CSB child to the TCA case must be determined.

Subtract the previous benefit amount from the new benefit amount to determine the CSB incremental portion of the total grant.

#### Example:

There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. There is no income or CSB child support. The benefit amount is \$292. A CSB child is added to the case. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$373.

\$373 New Benefit Amount
-\$292 Previous Benefit Amount
\$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

\$292 Regular Benefit Amount

#### Procedure

The TCA case will be placed in special processing.

Enter the manually calculated grant amount, for the non-CSB portion of the total grant, in the grant amount field on the AIMS 2 form. (See attachment A2)

Enter a 'N' (No) in the financial screen required field.

Complete the AMF section on the AIMS 2 indicating the category of assistance (02 or 22 for the CSB child.

Review the CSB child's Recipient Eligibility Screen 1 on MMIS-II. If the child has not been added to MMIS II, complete an 8000 to add the child.

If the child has already been certified under P03, screen print the child's Recipient Eligibility Screen 1 and enter category 02 or 22 and scope 01 under the CAT and SCP field. Sign your name and indicate your local department/office, telephone number, and date. The document will be rejected by DHMH if this information is not present. Forward the corrected screen print to the MMIS-II control clerk. It is recommended that a copy of the corrected screens be retained and reviewed after 10 days, against the MMIS-II system, to ensure the requested changes have been completed. Cross reference Action Transmittal 97-10 regarding 1184 newborn procedures for non-CARES local departments if further clarification is needed. (See attachment H)

A manual issuance (AIPI) must be done for the CSB portion of the grant each month. (See attachment B)

Enter a 'Y' in the Alt Info FS field on the AIMS 3 form for associated Food Stamp cases. (See attachment B)

Enter the TCA case number and CSB benefit amount on the AIMS 2/3 C. (See attachment D)

Narrate all case actions.

#### CSB TCA CASE WITH INCOME OR CSB CHILD SUPPORT

The CSB benefit for TCA cases with income (earned or unearned) or CSB child support will be paid based on a prorata share of the total benefit. The prorata share must be compared to the incremental increase. The CSB benefit <u>cannot</u> exceed the amount of the incremental increase.

#### CSB TCA CASE WITH INCOME

#### Calculation

The new benefit amount resulting from adding the CSB child to the TCA case must be determined. Subtract the previous benefit amount from the new benefit amount to determine the CSB incremental portion of the total grant. (See attachment G)

Divide the new benefit amount by the new household size (including the CSB child) to determine the prorata benefit per person. (Drop the cents).

Compare the prorata benefit to the CSB incremental increase. If the prorata share is less than or equal to the CSB incremental increase, the CSB benefit will be the prorata share. If the prorata share is greater than the CSB incremental increase, the CSB benefit will be based on the maximum allowable incremental increase.

#### Example: CSB TCA CASE WITH INCOME

There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. There is \$100 of countable income after disregards. The benefit amount is \$192. A CSB child is added to the case. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$273.

- \$273 New Benefit Amount
- -\$192 Previous Benefit Amount
  - \$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant
- \$273 New Benefit Amount
- ÷ 3 New Household Size of 3
  - \$91 Prorata Share
- \$273 New Benefit Amount
- \$81 CSB Benefit Amount
- \$182 Regular TCA Benefit

In this example, the prorata share exceeds the incremental portion of the total grant. The CSB benefit will be the incremental portion of the total grant.

#### Procedure

The TCA case will be placed in special processing.

Enter the manually calculated grant amount for the non-CSB portion of the total grant in the grant amount field on the AIMS 2 form. (See attachment A2)

Enter a 'N' (No) in the financial screen required field.

Complete the AMF section on the AIMS 2 indicating the category of assistance for the CSB child.

Review the CSB child's Recipient Eligibility Screen 1 on MMIS-II. If the child has not been added to MMIS II, complete an 8000 to add the child.

If the child has already been certified under P03, screen print the child's Recipient Eligibility Screen 1 and enter category 02 or 22 and scope 01 under the CAT and SCP field. Sign your name and indicate your local department/office, telephone number, and date. The document will be rejected by DHMH if this information is not present. Forward the corrected screen print to the MMIS-II control clerk. It is recommended that a copy of the corrected screens be retained and reviewed after 10 days, against the MMIS-II system, to ensure the requested changes have been completed. Cross reference Action Transmittal 97-10 regarding 1184 newborn procedures for non-CARES local departments if further clarification is needed.

A manual issuance (AIPI) must be done for the CSB portion of the grant each month. (See attachment B)

Enter a 'Y' in the Alt Info FS field on the AIMS 3 form for associated Food Stamp cases. (See attachment B)

Enter the TCA case number and CSB benefit amount on the AIMS 2/3 C. (See attachment D)

Narrate all case actions.

#### CSB TCA CASE WITH CSB CHILD SUPPORT

Child support paid specifically for the CSB child must be deducted from the CSB benefit to determine the CSB benefit to be paid. CSB child support is never counted when calculating the regular TCA benefit. CSB child support is counted in full when calculating Food Stamp benefits

Example: CSB TCA CASE WITH CSB CHILD SUPPORT INCOME ONLY

There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. There is no income but \$50 of CSB child support is received per month. The benefit amount is \$292. A CSB child is added to the case. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$373.

\$373	New Benefit Amount
<u>-\$292</u>	Previous Benefit Amount
<b>\$8</b> 1	CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant
\$81	CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

- \$50 CSB Child Support \$31 CSB Benefit Amount

\$292 Regular Benefit Amount

#### Procedure

The TCA case will be placed in special processing.

Enter the manually calculated grant amount for the non-CSB portion of the total grant in the grant amount field on the AIMS 2 form. (See attachment A2)

Enter a "N" (No) in the financial screen required field.

Review the CSB child's Recipient Eligibility Screen on MMIS-II. If the child had not been added to MMIS-II, complete an 8000 to add the child.

If the child has already been certified under P03, screen print the child's recipient eligibility screen and enter category 02 or 22 and scope 01 under the CAT and SCP field. Sign your name and indicate your local department/office, telephone number and date. The document will be rejected by DHMH if this information is not present. Forward the corrected screen print to the MMIS-II control clerk. It is recommended that a copy of the corrected screen prints be retained and reviewed after 10 days, against the MMIS-II system, to ensure the requested changes have been completed. Cross reference Action Transmittal 97-10 regarding 1184 newborn procedures for non-CARES local departments if further clarification is needed. (See attachment H)

A manual issuance (AIPI) must be done for the CSB portion of the grant each month. (See attachment B)

Enter a "Y" (Yes) in the ALT Info FS field on the AIMS 3 form for associated Food Stamp cases. (See attachment C)

Enter the amount of CSB child support as F07 (Other Unearned Income)

Enter the TCA case number and CSB benefit amount on the AIMS 2/3C. (See attachment D)

Example: CSB TCA CASE WITH INCOME AND CSB CHILD SUPPORT
There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. There is \$100 of countable income after disregards. The benefit amount is \$192. A CSB child is added to the case. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$273. The CSB child support is \$50 per month.

\$273 New Benefit Amount

-\$192 Previous Benefit Amount

\$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

\$273 New Benefit Amount

÷ 3 New Household Size of 3

\$91 Prorata Share

The prorata share exceeds the incremental portion. The CSB benefit will be the incremental portion of \$81.

\$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

-\$50 CSB Child Support

\$31 CSB Benefit Amount

\$192 Regular Benefit Amount

#### Procedure

If the total child support payment is greater than or equal to the CSB benefit, no CSB benefit will be paid. The CSB child will be added to the TCA case as an active member (they are still eligible for F01 Medical Assistance coverage).

The TCA case will be processed as usual. Special processing is not required.

Enter the household size (including the CSB child) on the AIMS 2 form. Determine the incremental difference in the grant amounts by subtracting the grant amount of the household size including the CSB child from the grant amount for the household size excluding the CSB child. Enter the incremental difference amount as income type P07 (Other Unearned Income).

Complete the AMF section on the AIMS 2 indicating the category of assistance (02 or 22) for the CSB child.

Review the CSB child's Recipient Eligibility Screen 1 on MMIS-II. If the child has not been added to MMIS II, complete an 8000 to add the child.

If the child has already been certified under P03, screen print the child's Recipient Eligibility Screen 1 and enter category 02 and scope 01 under the CAT and SCP field. Sign your name and indicate your local department/office, telephone number, and date. The document will be rejected by DHMH if this information is not present. Forward the corrected screen print to the MMIS-II control clerk. It is recommended that a copy of the corrected screens be retained and reviewed after 10 days, against the MMIS-II system, to ensure the requested changes have been completed. Cross reference Action Transmittal 97-10 regarding 1184 newborn procedures for non-CARES local departments if further clarification is needed. (See attachment H)

Enter the full amount of the CSB child support as F07 (Other Unearned Income) on the AIMS 3 form. (See attachment C)

Narrate all case actions.

A 903 form must be completed for each CSB child. Clearly indicate this is a CSB child by entering "CSB" in the upper left hand corner of the form. (See attachment I) Forward the 903 to the local Child Support Division. This will assure that child support collections are sent to the custodian and that CSB child support collections are not considered in Unreimbursed Public Assistance (URPA) or Excess Suspend processing.

A monthly query will a run to identify the amount of child support payments disbursed for each CSB child. If the amount of child support payments disbursed differs from the previous month, the CSB portion of the TCA grant and the associated Food Stamp case must be recalculated prior to the adverse action period.

Notify the customer via DHR/FIA 730 (Applications) or DHR/FIA 733 (Interim Changes). Add the following text and COMAR citation for CSB TCA cases.

(Enter amount of CSB benefit) of your benefit will be issued as a separate benefit to (Enter the selected third party). This separate payment is to be used for items needed by (Enter the CSB child's name).

COMAR: 07.03.03.09(E)

#### **CARES:**

When the request to add a child is received, the head of household's CSB notification date on the DEM1 screen must be reviewed and a decision made to determine if this is a CSB child.

#### CSB PROVISION NOT APPLICABLE OR CHILD EXEMPT

If the child is exempt from the CSB provision the TCA AU is to be processed as usual. During processing, the letters CSBE must be entered in the Place of Birth, Hospital field on the CSB exempt child's DEM1 screen. Without this entry CSB exemptions will not be identified.

#### IMPLEMENTING THE CSB PROVISION

Inform the customer that the CSB child's incremental portion of the grant will be paid to and administered through a third party (as determined by local department procedure).

Inquire on vendor information to ensure the vendor is known to CARES. From the CARES MAIN MENU select Option P (Vendor Files). From the PMEN, select Option A (Vendor Name List) and press enter.

Enter the first letter of the vendor's first name and press enter. (Inquire on the first letter of the vendor's last name if a match is not found using the first name) This will provide a complete listing of all vendors whose name begins with that letter. The Vendor ID will be listed for each vendor. If further information on the vendor is needed for verification purposes, enter a 'Y' in the Sel (Select) field next to the vendors name and press enter.

If the vendor is not known to CARES, submit an "add a vendor" form to the local fiscal office. (See attachment E) The vendor's name, address, tax ID or Social Security number will be needed. The vendor is to be added as Vendor Type 033 - Limited Individual Provider/CSB Administrator.

Add the CSB child to the TCA assistance unit (AU) using the "add a person" procedures. Do not complete multiple changes to a TCA AU when adding a CSB child to the AU. Complete the add a person process for the CSB child first.

Enter the letters CSB in the Place of Birth Hospital field on the CSB child's DEM1 screen. Without this entry CSB children will not be easily identified. Identification of CSB children is of utmost importance as automated system support (when available) cannot be implemented correctly without it.

# CSB TCA CASE WITH NO INCOME OR CSB CHILD SUPPORT Calculation

The new benefit amount resulting from adding the CSB child to the TCA case must be determined.

Subtract the previous benefit amount from the new benefit amount to determine the CSB incremental portion of the total grant. (See attachment G)

#### Example:

There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. There is no income or CSB child support. The benefit amount is \$292. A CSB child is added to the case. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$373.

\$373 New Benefit Amount

<u>-\$292</u> Previous benefit amount

\$81 CSB Incremental Portion of the total grant

#### <u>Procedure</u>

#### Current Month

Code the underpayment resulting from adding the child as 'NA' (Non-Fraud Add A Person) on the CAFI screen. The underpayment must first be created. From the CARES Main Menu select Option R (Benefit Error Submenu). Select Option B (Add a Historical Case Change Benefit Error Group). After reviewing the BEG information press enter. PF3 to return to the RMEN. This BEG must be removed by a lead worker or supervisor using Option I (Update a Benefit Error Group). Individuals added to cases are not eligible for benefits until the first of the month following the notification month:

#### On-Going Month

In the on-going month, review the new benefit amount (resulting from adding the child to the TCA case) and the previous benefit amount (prior to adding the child to the TCA case). These amounts will be displayed on CAFI.

Confirm the benefit.

To ensure separate payment of the CSB benefits, the CSB payment will be vendored. The payment will be not be issued as an EBT benefit, but as a batch check to the selected vendor.

Enter a 'Y' (Yes) in the Vendor Field on the CAFI screen. This entry will result in the VEND screen appearing.

Enter 'S' (Split/Direct) in the Payment Type.

Enter the assigned Vendor's ID in the Vendor Number field (PF16 to obtain vendor information if not previously done).

Enter the amount of the CSB payment in the Vendor Amt. field.

Note: The CSB payment will be issued to the vendor. The total benefit amount less the amount vendored will be issued to the customer's EBT account as usual.

Add the following text to the notice using the PF13 key on CAFI:

(Enter amount of CSB benefit) of your benefit will be issued as a separate benefit to (Enter the selected third party). This separate payment is to be used for items needed by (Enter the CSB child's name).

If the CSB benefit is not paid correctly, access the RMEN (Benefit Error Submenu) from the CARES Main Menu. Select Option B (Add a Historical Case Change Benefit Error Group) and create the over/under payments needed to correct the payment amount.

#### CSB TCA CASE WITH INCOME OR CSB CHILD SUPPORT

The CSB benefit for TCA cases with income (earned or unearned) or CSB child support will be calculated based on a prorata share of the total benefit and the incremental increase. The CSB benefit cannot exceed the amount of the incremental increase. CSB benefit payments will be based on prorata share if this amount is less than or equal to the incremental increase.

#### Income

#### Calculation

The new benefit amount resulting from adding the CSB child to the TCA case must be determined. Subtract the previous benefit from the new benefit amount to determine the CSB incremental portion of the total grant. (See attachment G)

Divide the new benefit amount by the new household size (including the CSB child) to determine the prorata benefit per person. (Drop the cents).

Compare the prorata benefit to the CSB incremental increase. If the prorata share is less than or equal to the CSB incremental increase, the CSB benefit will be the prorata share. If the prorata share is greater than the CSB incremental increase, the CSB benefit will be based on the maximum allowable incremental increase.

#### Example: CSB TCA CASE WITH INCOME

There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. There is \$100 of countable income after disregards. The benefit amount is \$192. A CSB child is added to the case. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$273.

\$273 New Benefit Amount

<u>-\$192</u> Previous benefit amount

\$81 CSB incremental portion of the total grant

\$273 New Benefit Amount

÷ 3 New Household Size of 3

\$91 Prorata share

The prorata share exceeds the incremental portion. The CSB benefit will be the incremental portion of \$81.

#### **Procedure**

#### Current Month

Code the underpayment resulting from adding the child as 'NA' (Non-Fraud Add A Person) on the CAFI screen. The underpayment must first be created. From the CARES Main Menu select

Option R (Benefit Error Submenu). Select Option B (Add a Historical Case Change Benefit Error Group). After reviewing the BEG information press enter. PF3 to return to the RMEN. This BEG must be removed by a lead worker or supervisor using Option I (Update a Benefit Error Group). Individuals added to cases are not eligible for benefits until the first of the month following the notification month.

#### **On-Going Month**

In the on-going month, review the new benefit amount (resulting from adding the child to the TCA case) and the previous benefit amount (prior to adding the child to the TCA case). These amounts will be displayed on CAFI.

Confirm the benefit.

To ensure separate payment of the CSB benefits, the CSB payment will be vendored. The payment will be not be issued as an EBT benefit, but as a batch check to the selected vendor.

Enter a 'Y' (Yes) in the Vendor Field on the CAFI screen. This entry will result in the VEND screen appearing.

Enter 'S' (Split/Direct) in the Payment Type.

Enter the assigned Vendor's ID in the Vendor Number field (PF16 to obtain vendor information if not previously done).

Enter the amount of the CSB payment in the Vendor Amt. field.

Note: The CSB payment will be issued to the vendor. The total benefit amount less the amount vendored will be issued to the customer's EBT account as usual.

Add the following text to the notice using the PF13 key on CAFI:

(Enter amount of CSB benefit) of your benefit will be issued as a separate benefit to (Enter the selected third party). This separate payment is to be used for items needed by (Enter the CSB child's name).

NOTE: If the CSB benefit is not paid correctly, access the RMEN (Benefit Error Submenu) from the CARES Main Menu. Select Option B (Add a Historical Case Change Benefit Error Group) and create the over/under payments needed to correct the payment amount.

#### Child Support

Child support paid specifically for the CSB child must be deducted from the CSB benefit, to determine the CSB benefit to be paid. CSB child support is never counted when calculating the regular TCA benefit. CSB child support is counted in full when calculating Food Stamp benefits.

#### Calculation

The new benefit amount resulting from adding the CSB child to the TCA case must be determined. Subtract the previous benefit from the new benefit amount to determine the CSB incremental portion of the total grant. (See attachment G)

Divide the new benefit amount by the new household size (including the CSB child) to determine the prorata benefit per person. (Drop the cents).

Compare the prorata benefit to the CSB incremental increase. If the prorata share is less than or equal to the CSB incremental increase, the CSB benefit will be the prorata share. If the prorata share is greater than the CSB incremental increase, the CSB benefit will be based on the maximum allowable incremental increase.

Subtract CSB child support from the CSB benefit amount to determine the CSB payment amount

#### Procedure

If the child support is less than the CSB benefit enter the amount of CSB child support as "OA" (Cash Countable Income Only) and "OF" (Other Unearned Income Food Stamp Countable Only) on the UINC screen of the CSB child. Enter the net CSB benefit as the amount to be vendored. If there is an associated Medical Assistance AU, this CSB child support must be entered in order to calculate the eligibility correctly.

#### Current Month

Code the underpayment resulting from adding the child as 'NA' (Non-Fraud Add A Person) on the CAFI screen. The underpayment must first be created. From the CARES Main Menu select Option R (Benefit Error Submenu). Select Option B (Add a Historical Case Change Benefit Error Group). After reviewing the BEG information press enter. PF3 to return to the RMEN. This BEG must be removed by a lead worker or supervisor using Option I (Update a Benefit Error Group). Individuals added to cases are not eligible for benefits until the first of the month following the notification month.

#### On-Going Month

In the on-going month, review the new benefit amount (resulting from adding the child to the TCA case) and the previous benefit amount (prior to adding the child to the TCA case). These amounts will be displayed on CAFI.

#### Confirm the benefit.

To ensure separate payment of the CSB benefits, the CSB payment will be vendored. The payment will be not be issued as an EBT benefit, but as a batch check to the selected vendor.

Enter a 'Y' (Yes) in the Vendor Field on the CAFI screen. This entry will result in the VEND screen appearing.

Enter 'S' (Split/Direct) in the Payment Type.

Enter the assigned Vendor's ID in the Vendor Number field (PF16 to obtain vendor information if not previously done).

Enter the amount of the CSB payment in the Vendor Amt. field.

Note: The CSB payment will be issued to the vendor. The total benefit amount less the amount vendored will be issued to the customer's EBT account as usual.

Add the following text to the notice using the PF13 key on CAFI:

(Enter amount of CSB benefit) of your benefit will be issued as a sen

(Enter amount of CSB benefit) of your benefit will be issued as a separate benefit to (Enter the selected third party). This separate payment is to be used for items needed by (Enter the CSB child's name).

NOTE: If the CSB benefit is not paid correctly, access the RMEN (Benefit Error Submenu) from the CARES Main Menu. Select Option B (Add a Historical Case Change Benefit Error Group) and create the over/under payments needed to correct the payment amount.

Example: CSB TCA CASE WITH CSB CHILD SUPPORT INCOME ONLY (CSB CHILD SUPPORT LESS THAN CSB PAYMENT AMOUNT)

There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. The benefit amount is \$292. A CSB child is added to the case. \$50 per month child support is received for the CSB child. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$373.

\$373. New Benefit Amount

-\$292 Previous Benefit Amount

\$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

\$373 New Benefit Amount

÷ 3 New Household Size

\$124.50 Prorata Share

Prorata share exceeds incremental portion, \$81(Incremental portion) is the CSB payment

\$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

-\$50 CSB Child Support

\$31 CSB Benefit Amount

\$292 Regular Benefit Amount

#### Procedure

If the CSB child support is greater than or equal to the CSB benefit, no CSB benefit will be paid. The CSB child will remain an active member on the AU to ensure correct Medical Assistance coverage.

Enter the amount of CSB child support as "OF" (Other Unearned Income Food Stamp Countable Only) on the UINC screen of the CSB child.

Enter the amount of the incremental increase as "OA" (Cash Countable Income Only) on the UINC screen of the CSB child.

#### Current Month

The CAFI screen should reflect the new household size with no increase in benefits and no underpayment. The amount of CSB child support will appear as Unearned Income.

#### On-Going Month

The CAFI screen should reflect the new household size with no increase in benefits and no underpayment. The amount of CSB child support will appear as Unearned Income.

Confirm the benefit.

Add the following text to the notice using the PF13 key on CAFI:

There will be no increase in your TCA benefit because you receive child support for (Enter CSB child's name). TCA benefits will not be issued for this child, but the child is eligible for Medical Assistance.

# Example: CSB TCA CASE WITH CSB CHILD SUPPORT INCOME ONLY (CSB CHILD SUPPORT MORE THAN CSB PAYMENT AMOUNT)

There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. There is no income. The benefit amount is \$292. A CSB child is added to the case. \$90 per month child support is paid for the child. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$373.

<b>\$</b> 373	New	Benefit	Amount	t

-\$292 Previous Benefit Amount

\$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

\$373 New Benefit Amount

÷ 3 New Household Size

\$124.50 Prorata Share

Prorata share exceeds incremental portion, \$81(Incremental portion) is the CSB payment

\$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

-\$90 CSB Child Support

\$ 0 CSB Benefit Amount

\$373 New Benefit Amount

-\$ 81 CSB Incremental Portion

\$292 Regular TCA benefit

Example: CSB TCA CASE WITH INCOME AND CSB CHILD SUPPORT

There is an existing TCA case for a household of 2. There is \$100 of countable income after disregards. The benefit amount is \$192. A CSB child is added to the case. The new household size is three, the new benefit amount is \$273. The CSB child support is \$50 per month.

\$273 New Benefit Amount

-\$192 Previous Benefit Amount

CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant \$81

\$273 New Benefit Amount

÷ 3 New Household Size of 3

\$91 Prorata Share

The prorata share exceeds the incremental portion. The CSB benefit will be the incremental portion of \$81.

\$81 CSB Incremental Portion Of The Total Grant

-<u>\$50</u> CSB Child Support

\$31 CSB Benefit Amount

A 957 form must be completed for each CSB child. (See attachment F) Clearly indicate that this information is for a CSB child. Include the name and client ID number of the custodian, CSB child and absent parent on the 957 and forward it to the local Child Support Division. This will assure that child support collections for the CSB child are disbursed to the custodian and that CSB is not considered in Unreimbursed Public Assistance (URPA) or Excess Suspend processing. Note: A monthly query will be run to identify the amount of child support disbursed for each CSB child. If the amount of child support disbursed differs from the previous month, the CSB portion of the TCA grant and the associated Food Stamp case must be recalculated prior to the adverse action period.

Add the following text to the notice using the PF13 key on CAFI:

(Enter amount of CSB benefit) of your benefit will be issued as a separate benefit to (Enter the selected third party). This separate payment is to be used for items needed by (Enter the CSB child's name).

COMAR: 07.03.03.09(E)

#### **INQUIRIES:**

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cc: DHR Executive Staff Constituent Services CSEA Management Staff

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### IV-A/IV-D INFORMATION MEMO / ACTION REQUEST

DATE:	DATE:
TO: Child Support Enforcement Administration	TO: Income Maintenance
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District/Worker:	FROM: Child Support Enforcement Administration
Phone Number	Phone Number
	Worker
Case Name: (Last) (First)	(M.L) Case No:
Absent Parent Name	Reply Requested: Yes No
The Following information is Forwarded to CSE:	THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS FORWARDED TO LM.:
Birth of child previously "unborn" on DHR/SSA 903-	RE: ABSENT PARENT
Name: D.C.B.	Located; living with recipient. Absent Parent Name:
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added to assistance unit; DHP/SSA 903 attached.	Will begin to pay support - (How often)
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### Child Specific Benefit Worksheet

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2. TCA Benefit Amount (Prior to adding CSB Child) subtract line 2 fro	m 1 -	\$
3. Incremental Portion (This is the maximum CSB benefit)	=	\$
4. Divide line 1 by the New Household Size		\$
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5. Compare line 3 to line 4.		\$
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If CSB child support is received go to line 6		
6. Enter the amount of CSB child support received subtract line 6 from	line 5	\$
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7. CSB Benefit Amount		\$
8. Subtract line 6 from line 2 - enter the result on line 9		\$
9. Regular TCA Benefit Amount		\$

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