

Program Policy Manual Update

Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped

Subject: Assessing an Overpayment for Health and Personal Benefits

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BACKGROUND:

With An Act to Combat Poverty and Fight for Albertans with Disabilities now in force, Section 7(4) of the AISH Act provides legislative authority for the director to exempt a person from the requirement to repay a benefits overpayment.

Effective January 2019, all AISH overpayments, regardless of the type of AISH benefit overpaid, can be considered for waiver of repayment under the new overpayment policy. This includes health and personal benefits, which were previously considered for waiver under a separate provision in AISH Regulation.

To ensure consistent application of policy, the <u>Assessing an Overpayment</u> section of the AISH program policy manual has been clarified to indicate that health benefits and personal benefits can also be considered under the new policy.

INTENT:

To ensure that AISH policy reflects current content in the AISH Act and the AISH General Regulation.

POLICY:

The following AISH program policy has been updated:

Assessing an Overpayment