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Policy Manual Update

Child Support Services

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BACKGROUND:

Child Support Services program staff are responsible for calculating an applicant's annual income when completing court applications to pursue child support. This includes determining social assistance income received by an applicant under the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) and Income Support programs.

Benefit rates under the AISH and Income Support programs are indexed to inflation annually on January 1st of each year. Examples for calculating gross annual income using actual social assistance rates under the AISH and Income Support programs have been updated in policy to reflect the new rates effective January 1, 2024.

As well, references to the Learner Income Support program were removed, as the program was replaced by the Foundational Learning Assistance Program for students with a training date on or before April 1, 2022.

INTENT:

To ensure examples in policy reflect current benefit rates under AISH and Income Support.

POLICY:

The following policy has been updated: <u>Applicant Financial Evidence</u>