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To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff

From: ( Paul Sutliff, Assistant Commissioner for Programs

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Re: EAEDC and TAFDC: Excluded Income: Annuity payment under the

**BRAVE Act** 

Overview

In an effort to assist veterans and their families, an annuity payment paid pursuant to the BRAVE act (An Act Relative to Veterans Benefits, Rights, Appreciation, Validation and Enforcement), will not be countable for Commonwealth public assistance programs, including EAEDC and TAFDC.

**Purpose** 

This transmittal informs staff about changes to the Online Guide:

• Excluding income received as an annuity payment made under the BRAVE Act for EAEDC and TAFDC.

Revised Online Guide Pages

**Topic:** EAEDC

**Book:** Financial Requirements **Chapter:** Income — EAEDC

**Subchapter:** Income Overview-EAEDC **Page:** Noncountable Income-EAEDC

**Topic:** TAFDC

**Book:** Financial Requirements

**Chapter:** Income-TAFDC

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## **Questions**

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