

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services Department of Transitional Assistance 600 Washington Street • Boston, MA 02111

JUDYANN BIGBY, M.D. Secretary

> JULIA E. KEHOE Commissioner

Field Operations Memo 2007- 56A October 29, 2007

To:

Transitional Assistance Office Staff

From:

John Augeri, Assistant Commissioner for Field Operations

Re:

Fall Food Stamp Heat and Eat (H-EAT) Fuel Assistance Program Ongoing Households Recalculation

Background

Recently, MIS restored the Heating/Cooling SUA to approximately 1,100 households who received H-EAT benefits in June 2007. The Heating/Cooling SUA had been inadvertently removed during the past several months. MIS recalculated November benefits for these households since the H-EAT eligibility is for a one year period.

A report listing impacted households will be emailed with this memo. AU Managers must review each household on the report for lost benefits. Supplemental FS benefits must be calculated and issued for any month(s) in which benefits were lost as a result of the removal of the Heating/Cooling SUA. AU Managers are reminded to make an entry in the BEACON Narratives tab regarding the reason for the supplement and the month(s) of lost benefits. For instructions on issuing a FS Supplement/Immediate Issuance, see a *User's Guide: Transitional Assistance Programs and BEACON*, Chapter XVI-H.

Note: These households received the \$1.00 H-EAT payment from DHCD In July and will not receive a payment.

Questions

If you have any questions, please have your Hotline designee call the Policy Hotline at 617-348-8478.