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**Online Guide Transmittal 2023-60**  
**August 17, 2023**

**To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff**  
**From: Sarah Stuart, Associate Commissioner for Change Management**  
**Re: SNAP: P-EBT for Children 0-5 Years for School Year 2022-2023**

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**Overview**

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act established the option for states to administer Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) benefits. Massachusetts has received federal approval to provide P-EBT to children aged 0-5 years old for School Year (SY) 2022-2023.

Children aged 0-5 years old are eligible for SY 2022-2023 P-EBT benefits if they are:

- under the age of 6; and
- in an active SNAP case for the corresponding month(s) during SY 2022-2023. This includes households that received expedited benefits only.

On August 25, 2023, eligible Massachusetts children aged 0-5 years received a retroactive P-EBT payment of \$30 per month for any eligible month(s) from September 2022 through April 2023. Since the Public Health Emergency ended on May 11, households who applied between 5/1/2023 to 5/11/2023 will be eligible for \$15 for May 2023.

This is the final issuance of Childcare P-EBT as the Public Health Emergency (PHE) ended on May 11, 2023.

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**Purpose**

The purpose of this Online Guide Transmittal is to advise staff of the processing of retroactive P-EBT benefits for children aged 0-5 years for the period spanning September 1, 2022, through May 11, 2023.

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**Revised Online  
Guide Pages**

<b>Topic:</b>	COVID-19
<b>Book:</b>	P-EBT
<b>Page:</b>	P-EBT Eligibility and Amounts SY2022-2023

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**Questions**

If you have any policy or procedural questions, after conferring with the appropriate TAO personnel, please have your Systems Information Specialists or TAO management email them to [DTA.Procedural Issues](#).

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