

Elimination of Funding for Employment Services Program (ESP): Massachusetts One Stop Career Center

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The Massachusetts One Stop Career Center is designed to be a self-guided job search center. As such, recipients who participate, after attending the initial orientation, must use the resources of the One Stop Career Center (newspapers, computers) to look for employment.

This Field Operations Memo gives further instructions regarding the Massachusetts One Stop Career Center and recipients' responsibilities while participating in the One Stop Career Center.

Reinstatement of the Young Parent Program (YPP) Component

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YPP is an ESP educational component that meets Basic and Secondary Education requirements for teen parents. This Field Operations Memo informs TAO staff about the reinstatement of the Young Parent Program (YPP) component.

Change to Basic MassHealth

EAEDC

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Effective April 1, 2003, Basic MassHealth for long-term unemployed adults ends. This termination impacts approximately 42,000 MassHealth recipients.

On Monday, March 17, these recipients were mailed a notice telling them about the termination and other ways to get MassHealth.

This termination does not impact EAEDC recipients. EAEDC recipients will continue to receive Basic MassHealth Coverage.

This Field Operations Memo informed TAO Staff about the mailing and the impact on EAEDC recipients and potential applicants.

Food Stamp Program – Changes to the Universal Semiannual Reporting Process

FS

State Letter 1251

This State Letter adds two groups of recipients exempted from the Universal Semiannual Reporting process, specifically, self-employed recipients and recipients receiving rental income.

Also, only positive FS benefit changes are to be acted on during the recertification period. The exception to this is if the household's income exceeds the Maximum Gross Monthly Income Standards.

FYI

EA In-Kind Deduction

When reevaluating the eligibility of an EA AU, the in-kind deduction of \$148.50 for free shelter for a TAFDC AU will not be used in determining the EA financial eligibility. Be sure the "No" radio button is selected in the Countable EA field on the Other Income Status window.

