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**Online Guide Transmittal 2023-28**  
**April 3, 2023**

**To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff**  
**From:  Sarah Stuart, Associate Commissioner for Change Management**  
**Re: SNAP: Massachusetts SNAP Emergency Allotments**

**Overview**

Due to the end of the Federal SNAP emergency allotments, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is providing temporary state funded SNAP emergency allotments for eligible households in the months of March, April, and May. Clients will receive these benefits as a supplement in April, May, and June. This supplement will provide clients with additional nutritional supports as COVID-19 related programs end. The first of these payments is planned to be available on April 7, 2023.

The Massachusetts SNAP emergency allotments are 40% of the difference between the client's maximum benefit level for their household size and their approved monthly benefit amount, or the base amount of \$38, whichever is higher. Subject to funding, the Massachusetts SNAP emergency allotments may need to be adjusted. Any adjustments will be communicated along with an email confirmation of the scheduled date for the state-funded supplement.

Clients will be notified of this new supplement via notice, text and DTA Connect alerts. Additionally, [Mass.gov/ExtraCOVIDSNAP](https://www.mass.gov/ExtraCOVIDSNAP) is being updated with information for clients regarding these new supplements. Staff are advised to refer clients to this website for additional information.

**Purpose**

The purpose of this Online Guide update is to advise staff of the new temporary Massachusetts SNAP emergency allotments.

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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](#).

Systems issues should be directed to the Systems Support Help Desk.

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