

MANUAL MATERIAL TRANSMISSION WV INCOME MAINTENANCE MANUAL

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Effective July 1, 2008 the minimum Spousal Maintenance Standard (SMS) is \$1,750 and the maximum Family Maintenance Allowance (FMA) is \$583.33. These apply to individuals in nursing facilities.

Chapter 10, Appendix A: The appendix was updated with the new SMS and FMA amounts.

Chapter 17: All appropriate material and examples were changed to reflect the updated SMS and FMA amounts. In addition, the new Food Stamp Heating / Cooling Standard (HCS) was added to an example.

RAPIDS will provide each local office with a printout of all AG's potentially affected by the SMS/FMA change. RAPIDS instructions for accomplishing the SMS/FMA update will be provided with the printout. Any AG which does not have the change made in RAPIDS effective July 2008, must have the contribution adjusted back to July 2008, if the contribution decreases due to the SMS/FMA increase.

The maximum SMS, as well as the minimum and maximum Asset Assessment limits, are updated effective each January.

Policy questions should be directed to the DFA Economic Services Policy Unit.

RAPIDS questions should be addressed to the RAPIDS Help Desk.