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Cash Assistance Manual Transmittal Letter No. 191

TO: All Cash Assistance Manual Holders
FROM: Matt Damschroder, Director
SUBJECT: **Five Year Review**

In accordance with section 106.03 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC), each state agency is required to review each of its rules in the Ohio Administrative Code a minimum of once every five years. The intent of the review is to ensure that Administrative Code rules are clearly written and that program requirements are accurate, up-to-date and clearly expressed. To the extent possible, unnecessary paperwork will be eliminated, local agencies will be given increased flexibility, and any adverse impact on businesses will be eliminated or reduced. As a result of the review, the agency may amend the rules; rescind the rules; or continue the rules without amendment.

The Office of Family Assistance (OFA) has completed a review of the following rule(s) and the rule have been subject to a review by the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR). The rule will become effective on 09/01/2023.

Chapter 2000

5101:1-3-15.1 " Transition of Ohio Works First Sanction Assistance Group And Compliance ." The rule describes how a failure or refusal ceases for sanctioned OWF assistance groups with a self-sufficiency contract failure that occurred prior to September 1, 2013. OFA amended this rule. Changes to the rule include:

- Language modified for clarity.
- Language below paragraph (B) was removed and incorporated within paragraph (B) and (B)(1).

5101:1-3-15.1 **Transition of Ohio works first sanctioned assistance groups and compliance.**

- (A) How is a ~~sanction ended for Ohio works first (OWF) assistance groups with a self sufficiency contract failure and/or refusal~~ for an Ohio works first (OWF) assistance group that occurred prior to September 1, 2013 ~~ended~~the effective date of this rule?

Individuals sanctioned due to a self sufficiency contract failure and/or refusal that occurred prior to September 1, 2013 ~~the effective date of this rule~~ must serve the minimum sanction period. The sanction shall be ended once the minimum sanction period has expired.

- (B) How does an OWF assistance group sanctioned due to a self sufficiency contract failure and/or refusal ~~that occurred~~ prior to September 1, 2013 ~~the effective date of this rule~~ begin receiving OWF once that sanction has ended pursuant to paragraph (A) of this rule?

~~Once the sanction has been ended as set forth in paragraph (A) of this rule, the OWF assistance group must do the following:~~

- (1) ~~The OWF assistance group will reapply~~Reapply under section 5107.12 of the Revised Code and rule 5101:1-2-01 of the Administrative Code; and
 - (2) Enter into a new self sufficiency contract as set forth in rule 5101:1-3-11 of the Administrative Code.
- (C) How is a self sufficiency contract ~~does a~~ failure or refusal ~~sanction~~ease for an ~~sanctioned~~ OWF assistance group ~~with a self sufficiency contract failure and/or refusal~~ that occurred on or after September 1, 2013 ~~ended~~the effective date of this rule?

Individuals sanctioned due to a self sufficiency contract failure and/or refusal that occurred on or after September 1, 2013 ~~the effective date of this rule~~ must complete the compliance process as set forth in rule 5101:1-3-15 of the Administrative Code.

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Five Year Review (FYR) Dates: 5/4/2023 and 09/01/2028

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Date

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