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To: Fiscal Administrative Procedure Manual Holders

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Subject: Additional Guidance for COVID PRC Funding

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) issued FAPL 91 and FAL #192 in May of 2021, providing information on the issuance of the COVID PRC Allocation. The purpose of this FAPL is to provide further technical assistance on the use of the Covid PRC allocation.

In addition to the allowable activities stated in FAPL 91 and FAL 192, county agencies may also use COVID PRC funding to issue non-recurring short-term (NRST) benefits in the form of cash payments to eligible recipients. Furthermore, programs and/or services do not need to have a documented relationship to the COVID pandemic.

Some examples the United States Department of Health and Human Services as noted in TANF-ACF-PI2021-02 gives of ways in which states may use COVID PRC funding are:

- A one-time payment to provide extra cash to all current TANF recipient families to assist them in dealing with added costs caused by the pandemic.
- A one-time payment to provide extra cash to weather the pandemic to current Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipient families with children affected by the pandemic.
- A benefit to provide extra cash to replace lost wages to all families with children eligible to receive SNAP or other means-tested benefits who are affected by the pandemic.
- Assistance for families who are behind in rent or experiencing other housing insecurity due to the pandemic.
- Cash assistance for short-term basic needs to help families with mixed immigration status (e.g., citizen children with parents who are not eligible due to their immigration status) who are affected by the pandemic.
- A benefit to cover burial expenses for needy families who have had a family member die from COVID-19.

- A payment for hotel rooms and meal delivery for people who need to quarantine away from their families.
- A benefit to secure personal protective equipment.
- A voucher to cover the cost of utility bills in arrears due to financial issues arising from the pandemic.

For funding details and questions regarding eligibility allowable activities and programmatic reporting requirements, please refer to FAL #192. For questions regarding fiscal reporting please contact your ODJFS Fiscal Supervisor or the CFIS Helpdesk CFIS_HELP_DESK@jfs.ohio.gov