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Re: **FoodShare Handbook Release 17-01**

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EFFECTIVE DATE

The following policy additions or changes are **effective 07/10/2017**, unless otherwise noted. **Grey highlighted text denotes new text. Text with a strike through it in the old policy section denotes deleted text.**

POLICY UPDATES

2.1.2.1 Application Processing 30 Day Time Frame

When the application process has not been completed by the end of the 30th day, a notice of pending will be sent explaining the necessary steps to resolve the delay. If there is outstanding verification, the notice of pending will list those outstanding items.

3.15.1 Student Eligibility

Work Registration

A FoodShare-eligible student who meets the criteria in this section is exempt from the FoodShare work registration requirements.

4.6.7.3 Standard Utility Allowances

A heating expense is only allowed if the food unit is responsible for the obligation separate from his or her rent regardless whether the resident lives in subsidized housing, unless an individual in the food unit has received a LIHEAP/WHEAP payment in the current month or past 12 months.

See 8.1.3 Deductions for the current amount.

When individuals in a food unit have received a WHEAP payment greater than \$20, they will always qualify for the HSUA. IM workers will need to determine the payment amount from other states' LIHEAP or other energy assistance programs because other states' LIHEAP payments may be less than the \$20 amount necessary to qualify for the HSUA.