CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL

EFFECTIVE:	Upon receipt
SUBJECT:	Policy Updates
CHANGE NO:	05-2022
TO:	County Directors of Social Services
MANUAL:	Energy Program Manual CIP and LIEAP Policies
DATE:	March 1, 2022

I. BACKGROUND

The Integrated Eligibility Manual (IEM) is obsolete for the Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) program. References to using the IEM have been replaced with references to the FNS manual. Clarifications to Lumbee tribal enrollment added to the application section. Use of the IEM for Energy programs is obsolete upon receipt of this letter.

II. SPECIFIC CHANGES

Section 300.02 Application Requirement & 400.03 Application Requirement: Clarification that individuals who are a member of the Lumbee tribe living in Cumberland, Hoke, Robeson, and Scotland counties must apply through the Lumbee tribe.

Section 300.09 Income & Deductions & 400.03 F. Eligibility Determination: References to the IEM replaced with reference to the FNS manual and information on allowable deductions.

III. IMPLEMENTATION INSTRUCTIONS

This new policy will be effective for all applications taken and approved on or after March 1, 2022. Submit any questions regarding this policy to <u>DSS.Policy.Questions@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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