# CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL

DATE: September 23, 2003

#### MANUAL: Food Stamp Certification Manual

# CHANGE NO.: 13-2003

TO: County Directors of Social Services

**EFFECTIVE October 1, 2003**, make the following changes to the Food Stamp Certification Manual.

#### I. BACKGROUND

In accordance with new requirements established in Title IV of Public Law 107-171 of the Food Stamp Reauthorization Act of 2002, this change restores food stamp eligibility and eliminates deeming reqirements for immigrant children under age 18 regardless of when they entered the United States. In addition, a new address for the submission of the Form G-845 is provided.

## **II. SPECIFIC CHANGES**

A. Section 225.05,A,2, Determining Alien Eligibility

Adds qualified children under age 18 regardless of date of entry into the United States to the list of immigrants who are eligible for food stamp benefits.

B. Section 225.06, B, 6, Sponsored Aliens

Exempts qualified children under age 18 from sponsor deeming requirements.

C. Section 225.08,B,6 Secondary Verifications

Provides a new address for the mailing of completed G-845 forms.

#### **III. IMPLEMENTATION INSTRUCTIONS**

A. For applications, recertifications or changes taken prior to October 1, 2003, but processed on or after October 1, 2003:

1. Use the current alien policy to determine eligibility for months prior to October 2003.

2. Use the new alien policy to determine eligibility for October 2003 or later.

B. For applications, recertifications, or changes taken on or after October 1, 2003, use the

new alien policy to determine eligibility.

## **II. INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE FOOD STAMP MANUAL**

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Section	Pages	Section	Pages
225	1, 2	225	1, 2
225	5, 6	225	5, 6
225	11, 12	225	11, 12
225	17, 18	225	17, 18

If you have questions, please contact your Food and Energy Assistance Representative.

This policy was approved by the Economic Services Committee.

Sincerely,

Wilbert R. Morris, Associate Director

Performance Management/Economic Services

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