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1240-01-50	Financial Eligibility Requirements – Families First Program
Rule Number	Rule Title
1240-01-50-.20	Standard of Need/Income

Chapter 1240-01-50
Financial Eligibility Requirements
Families First Program

Amendments

Rule 1240-01-50-.20 Standard Of Need/Income, is amended by deleting parts 1 and 2 under subparagraph (g), paragraph (1), and by substituting instead the following language so that, as amended, parts 1 and 2 under subparagraph (g), paragraph (1) shall read as follows:

1. Tables

Table I

Number of Persons in Assistance Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Gross Income Standard	1288	1658	1972	2240	2470	2666	2838	2991	3128	3256
Consolidated Need Standard	696	896	1066	1211	1335	1441	1534	1617	1691	1760
Maximum Payment (SPA)	95	142	185	226	264	305	345	386	425	467

Minimum Families First Payment is \$10 per month for any Assistance Group

Number of Persons in Assistance Group	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Gross Income Standard	3374	3487	3596	3702	3802	3898	3987	4064	4129	4175
Consolidated Need Standard	1824	1885	1944	2001	2055	2107	2155	2197	2232	2257
Maximum Payment (SPA)	508	549	589	630	670	711	750	790	831	871

Minimum Families First Payment is \$10 per month for any Assistance Group

Table II

Number of Persons in Assistance Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Gross Income Standard	1288	1658	1972	2240	2470	2666	2838	2991	3128	3256
Consolidated Need Standard	696	896	1066	1211	1335	1441	1534	1617	1691	1760
Maximum Payment (DGPA)	140	192	232	242	291	305	345	386	425	467

Minimum Families First Payment is \$10 per month for any Assistance Group

Number of Persons in Assistance Group	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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2. The Families First standard payment amount (maximum payment) for an assistance group of three (3) persons represents 17.3 % of the consolidated need for an assistance group of that size. The Families First maximum differential grant payment amount for an assistance group of three (3) persons represents 21.7% of the consolidated need for an assistance group of that size. The payment for groups composed of different numbers of recipients represents an upward adjustment of the percentage in the preceding sentence which is necessary to maintain the payment at a level not more or less than that paid in fiscal year 2007-2008.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-201 et seq.; 71-1-105; 71-3-151 et seq.; 71-3-154(i); 71-3-155(e)-(g); Acts of 2008, Chapter 1203, Section 10, Item 21; Senate Bill 4213/House Bill 4219 (2008); 42 USCA §§ 601 et seq.; and 45 CFR 233.20.

Regulatory Flexibility Addendum

Pursuant to Public Chapter 464 of the 105th General Assembly, prior to initiating the rule making process as described in § 4-5-202(a)(3) and § 4-5-202(a), all agencies shall conduct a review of whether a proposed rule or rule affects small businesses.

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Regulatory Flexibility Act Statement

Federal regulations require each state to set statewide financial eligibility standards for recipients of funding under Title IV-A of the Social Security Act under which Families First is funded. State law requires that the standard of need and the level of payment of the monthly grant be set in the appropriations act or in rule of the Department of Human Services to be effective each July 1.

For purposes of Acts 2007, Chapter 464, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, the Department of Human Services certifies that these rulemaking hearing rules substantially codify existing federal law and substantially codify existing state law, such that, pursuant to Section 6 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, the Regulatory Flexibility Act's provisions do not apply to these rules. In addition, these rulemaking hearing rules do not appear to affect small businesses as defined in the Act because while Families First participants may be employed or become employed by small businesses, the rules themselves have no direct impact on the operation of those businesses as defined in the Act.