

## INTERPRETIVE MEMO

**Reach Up Rule Interpretation**

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### UPDATE:

The rule at 2241 (A) allows for budgeting housing in a child-only caretaker grant if the caretaker charges for housing. The language in that provision specifies that a housing allowance is allowed up to the housing allowance maximum (rule 2263). The rule at 2263, Housing Allowance, which defines housing expense and sets the maximum monthly housing allowances, also contains a provision that housing allowances shall not exceed the maximum stated in the rule.

The rule at 2261.4 (C) specifies, however, that a special needs housing allowance may be budgeted for assistance groups actually incurring housing expenses in excess of the applicable maximum.

For the purposes of the rule at 2241 (A), if a caretaker charges more than the maximum housing allowance, the members of a child-only assistance group shall be considered as actually incurring an excess housing expense and shall have a ratably reduced special needs housing allowance included in their grant.