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Social Welfare

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P-2712 <u>Interim Assistance (SSI/AABD)</u>

A. <u>Policy Basis</u>

When an applicant for SSI/AABD is without income or resources to support himself until his first SSI/AABD check arrives, the Social Security Office:

First, exhaust all Federal resources available, such as emergency check up to \$100.00.

Then, if need still exists, refers the applicant to the Department of Social Welfare district office for General Assistance.

General Assistance is granted, on the same basis as for any GA applicant, if the applicant signs a recovery agreement allowing recovery of GA paid from the applicant's first SSI/AABD check. The balance, if any, of the first SSI/AABD check after recovery is paid to the recipient.

B. <u>District Procedures</u>

When SSI/AABD applicant is referred to the Department of Social Welfare for Interim Assistance, the GA Specialist or Intake Worker:

- Determines GA eligibility on same basis as any other GA applicant (see P-2610)
- If applicant is eligible for GA:
 - Explains Interim Assistance and recovery policy.
 - Obtains signed Recovery of General Assistance Agreement (DSW 230B).
 - If both husband and wife are SSI/AABD applicants and both eligible for GA, each must sign a separate DSW 230B.
 - Distributes copies of DSW 230B to Social Security local office, Administrative Services, applicant and case record.
 - Completes GA grant action (see P-2610) using audit code (Field 10) of "SA".

- Maintains up-to-date record with DSW 230 in case file of all GA granted as Interim Assistance.

When Social Security Office returns a DSW 230 stating that applicant's first SSI/AABD check cannot be paid to Department of Social Welfare for recovery, the GA Specialist or Intake Worker must initiate recovery action under GA Reimbursement Procedures (see P-2610-B).