

REMAINDER OF THE CASH BENEFITS TO A THIRD PARTY PAYEE OR A COMPLIANT ADULT RECIPIENT AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (G) OF THIS SECTION, IF:

(I) THE RECIPIENT FAILS TO COMPLETE A SUBSTANCE ABUSE SCREENING OR ASSESSMENT BY AN ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST, AS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTIONS (B)(2) AND (C)(1)(I) OF THIS SECTION; OR

(II) THE REQUIRED SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT OR THE RESULTS OF ANY FOLLOW-UP DIAGNOSTIC TESTING OR TREATMENT REVEAL THAT THE RECIPIENT IS A SUBSTANCE ABUSER AND THE RECIPIENT REFUSES TO ENROLL OR MAINTAIN ENROLLMENT IN AVAILABLE AND APPROPRIATE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT.

(2) THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT SHALL CONTINUE TO MAKE TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE BENEFITS PAYMENTS TO A THIRD PARTY PAYEE OR A COMPLIANT ADULT RECIPIENT UNTIL THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT RECEIVES NOTICE FROM THE ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST THAT THE RECIPIENT IS ACTIVELY ENROLLED, AS DEFINED BY THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION, IN THE APPROPRIATE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT INDICATED BY THE ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST.

(I) REINSTATEMENT OF BENEFITS.

THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT MAY NOT DENY AN ADULT OR MINOR PARENT APPLICANT'S TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE BENEFIT OR REDUCE AN ADULT OR MINOR PARENT RECIPIENT'S TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE BENEFIT AS DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTIONS (F) AND (G) OF THIS SECTION, IF THE APPLICANT OR RECIPIENT:

(1) RECEIVES THE SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTIONS (B)(2) AND (C)(1)(I) OF THIS SECTION, AND THE SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT OR THE RESULTS OF ANY FOLLOW-UP DIAGNOSTIC TESTING OR TREATMENT REVEAL THAT THE APPLICANT OR RECIPIENT IS A SUBSTANCE ABUSER; AND

(2) AGREES TO PARTICIPATE IN APPROPRIATE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT, AS DETERMINED BY THE ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST, BUT THE APPROPRIATE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

(J) MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND FOOD STAMP ELIGIBILITY.

THE DENIAL OR REDUCTION OF TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SECTION DOES NOT AFFECT AN ADULT OR MINOR PARENT APPLICANT OR RECIPIENT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND FOOD STAMPS, AS LONG AS THE APPLICANT OR RECIPIENT MEETS THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND FOOD STAMP PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a) of this section is new language added to avoid repetition of the former phrase "addictions specialist on-site in the local department".

Subsections (b) through (j) of this section are new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 88A, § 50A.