

**County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA)
CalFresh Program Guide Letter**

CalFresh SSI/SSP Suspense Status / Household Concept

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Issue Date:

04/24/2017

Effective Date:

08/30/2016

Purpose:

Provide information on CalFresh eligibility requirements for customers whose SSI/SSP benefits are in suspense status (regardless of the reason). Issuance of material was delayed due pending receipt of implementation instructions received on 04/03/2017.

Background:

SSI/SSP customers were previously not eligible for CalFresh benefits while their SSI/SSP benefits were in suspense status.

Policy Change:

Effective August 30, 2016, customers in California whose SSI/SSP payments are in suspense status (regardless of the reason) are now eligible to CalFresh benefits. These customers must meet all CalFresh eligibility criteria. They will be an included household member. Their income, resources and deductions must be evaluated.

This policy change does not affect CalWORKs. SSI/SSP recipients, regardless of payment status, are not eligible to CalWORKs.

Please follow BENDS PPM # 39962 when adding these customers to CalFresh. This BENDS will allow CalWIN to pass SSI/SSP individuals for CalFresh who are in SSI/SSP suspense status. CalWIN currently fails all SSI/SSP individuals from all programs.

Summary of Changes:

63-101 - Updated to reflect changes

Impact/s:

Automation:

BENDS PPM # 39962

Forms and Document Capture: N/A

Programs Affected: CalFresh

Quality Control:

Quality Control will cite the appropriate error when the regulations cited in this program material have not been followed.

Management Reporting: N/A

References:

ACL 17-09 (Issued by State 1/31/2017)

Sunset Date:

This policy will be reviewed for continuance on or by 04/30/2020.



Approval for Release

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