

NC Division of Aging and Adult Services

**CHANGE NO. 05-11**

DATE: December 21, 2011

Manual: State/County Special Assistance  
Subject: SSI 2012 Federal Benefit Rate (FBR) Updates in the Special Assistance Manual  
To: County Directors of Social Services  
Effective: 01- 01- 2012

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**I. BACKGROUND**

- A. Effective January 1, 2012, SSI, RSDI, and most VA beneficiaries received a 3.6% cost of living allowance (COLA). This increase created a new SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR). This change notice incorporates the new FBR into the appropriate Special Assistance (SA) policy sections.
- B. The Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) in preparation for NCFAST is removing the figures from Special Assistance (SA) policy and converting them to forms. This change notice affects SA-3210, Income, and converts one figure into a DAAS form.

**II. CONTENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CHANGE**

- A. **This change notice addresses the 2012 FBR in SA-3210, Income, SA-3220, Budgeting Principles, and SA-3300, Administration of Checks and payments.**
  - 1. All references to SSI only FBRs have been updated from \$674 to \$698 throughout SA policy.
  - 2. All references to SSI and other income FBRs have been updated from \$694 to \$718 throughout SA Policy.
  - 3. All budgeting examples have been updated to reflect the new SSI FBR.
- B. **SA-3210 Income, Figure 1 has been renamed as form DAAS-3004.**

[DAAS-3004, Request to SSA for Waiver or Reduction of Overpayment Recoupment](#), is now available on the DHHS Publications Forms web site. It can be filled out online and printed.

### III. MAINTENANCE OF MANUAL

The following manual sections are reissued to reflect the changes:

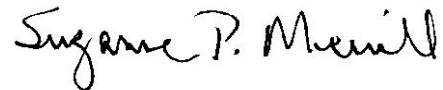
[SA-3210 Income](#)

[SA-3220 Budgeting Principles](#)

[SA-3300 Administration of Checks and Payments](#)

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the SA Program Unit at [specialassistance@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:specialassistance@dhhs.nc.gov)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Suzanne P. Merrill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Suzanne P. Merrill, Chief  
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