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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-61-24**

<p>This All County Information Notice announces the updated Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants payment standards that take effect on January 1, 2025.</p>
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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR IMMIGRANTS (CAPI)  
MANAGERS

SUBJECT: NEW PAYMENT STANDARDS FOR THE CASH ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM FOR IMMIGRANTS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2025

REFERENCE: TITLE 20 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS (CFR):  
[SECTIONS 416.1163b, 416.1165, 416.1166a;](#)  
[PROGRAM OPERATIONS MANUAL SYSTEM \(POMS\) SI](#)  
[00835.901\(Q\);](#)  
[WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE \(WIC\) SECTION 18941;](#)  
[MANUAL OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES \(MPP\)](#)  
[SECTION 49-005\(p\)\(1\)](#)

The purpose of this All County Information Notice (ACIN) is to transmit new payment standards for the Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI), which take effect on January 1, 2025. This change is the result of a 2.5 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI), as announced by the federal Social Security Administration (SSA) on October 15, 2024.

As required by [Welfare and Institutions Code \(WIC\) Section 18941](#), the CAPI payment standards are equivalent to the SSI/SSP (State Supplemental Program) payment standards. Accordingly, the 2.5 percent SSI COLA will cause SSI/SSP payment standards and CAPI payment standards to increase for 2025. The attached table reflects the new 2025 CAPI payment standards, which will become effective on January 1, 2025.

The federal SSI COLA also affects the following values for the entire calendar year, which can impact CAPI eligibility and benefit amounts effective on January 1, 2025:

## **PRESUMED MAXIMUM VALUE FOR IN-KIND SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE**

- To compute the Presumed Maximum Value (PMV) start with the federal SSI amount (\$967.00 for an individual and \$1,450.00 for a couple in 2025), then divide by 3 and add \$20.00 [MPP Section 49-005\(p\)\(1\)](#). This changes the PMV from \$334.33 to PMV \$342.33 for an individual and from \$491.66 to PMV \$503.33 for a couple. These amounts also conform to the PMV provided by SSA for in-kind support and maintenance for 2025 [\(POMS\) SI 00835.901\(Q\)](#).

## **ALLOWANCE FOR INELIGIBLE CHILDREN IN DEEMING SITUATIONS**

- To compute this allowance, determine the difference between the federal SSI benefit amount for a couple and the federal SSI benefit amount for an individual (for 2025, subtract \$967.00 from \$1,450.00), Title 20, Code of Federal Regulations [CFR Section 416.1163b](#)). This computation changes the allowance from \$472.00 to \$483.00.
- This allowance is used when a CAPI case involves deemed income from an ineligible spouse with child(ren). To calculate the CAPI benefit amount, enter this allowance (\$483.00) on the Income Eligibility – Adult worksheet ([SOC 452](#)), line B.2.a on page two.
- The allowance is also used when a CAPI case involves deemed income from an ineligible parent(s) to a child. To calculate the CAPI benefit amount, enter this allowance (\$483.00) on the Income Eligibility – Child worksheet ([SOC 452A](#)), line 4a in Column A.

## **SPONSOR'S ALLOCATION IN SPONSOR DEEMING SITUATIONS**

- This allocation equals the federal SSI rate for an individual [\(20 CFR 416.1166a\)](#). The federal SSI COLA changes the allocation from \$943.00 to \$967.00.
- This allocation is used in cases involving deemed income from a sponsor. Enter the allocation on the Sponsor to Alien Deeming Worksheet ([SOC 454](#)), line two.

## **ALLOWANCE FOR PARENT(S) IN PARENT-TO-CHILD DEEMING SITUATIONS**

- The allowance for one parent is equal to the federal SSI rate for individuals. The allowance for two parents is equal to the federal SSI rate for couples ([20 CFR 416.1165](#)). The federal SSI COLA changes the allowance from \$943.00 to \$967.00 for one parent and from \$1,415.00 to \$1,450.00 for two parents.
- This allowance is used when a CAPI case involves deemed income from an ineligible parent(s). Enter the allowance on the Income Eligibility – Child worksheet ([SOC 452A](#)), line A16.

Please contact the Benefit Programs Unit at the California Department of Social Services' Adult Programs Division at (916) 653-3850, or at [CAPI@dss.ca.gov](mailto:CAPI@dss.ca.gov), for questions regarding the information contained in this notice.

Sincerely,

***Original Document Signed By***

DANIELLE MORRIS, Chief  
Fiscal, Appeals and Benefit Programs Branch  
Adult Programs Division

Attachment

## CAPI Payment Standards

January 2025<sup>1</sup>

### Payment Standards for Individuals

Payment Standard Category	January 2025 CAPI Grant
Aged or Disabled	\$1,206.94
Blind	1,291.32
Non-Medical Out-of-Home Care	1,599.07
Aged or Disabled without cooking facilities	1,335.81
Disabled Minor	1,064.27
Disabled Minor (Household of Another)	747.20
Aged or Disabled (Reduced Needs)	889.87
Blind (Household of Another)	974.25
Non-Medical Out-of-Home Care (Reduced Needs)	1,269.07
Title XIX Medical Facility Standard	62.00

### Payment Standards for Couples

Payment Standard Category	January 2025 CAPI Grant
Aged or Disabled	\$2,057.83
Blind	2,283.35
Blind/Aged or Disabled	2,197.44
Non-Medical Out-of-Home Care	3,198.14
Aged or Disabled without cooking facilities	2,315.57
Aged or Disabled (Reduced Needs)	1,582.37
Blind (Reduced Needs)	1,807.89
Blind/Aged or Disabled (Reduced Needs)	1,721.98
Non-Medical Out-of-Home Care (Reduced Needs)	2,570.87
Title XIX Medical Facility Standard	124.00

**Note:** As authorized by AB 1811 (Chapter 35, Statutes of 2018), W&IC section 18941 has been amended so that, beginning June 1, 2019, CAPI benefits will be equivalent to the SSI/SSP payment standards due to the CalFresh SSI Eligibility Expansion.

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<sup>1</sup> These rates reflect the SSI COLA of 2.5 percent for 2025. Reduced needs standards cover recipients who live in households with in-kind room and board.