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Summary

The Community Services Division is adding a new income type to the Treatment of Income Chart – Health Profession Opportunity Grants (HPOG) funds.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) amended the Social Security Act to provide demonstration project authority to address health professions workforce needs. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services utilized this authority to award HPOG to a number of entities. The HPOG allows the grantees to provide education and training in the healthcare field to TANF recipients and other low-income individuals.

Section 5507 of the ACA specifically excludes “any aid, services, or incentives provided to an eligible beneficiary” under the HPOG from being counted as income in determining eligibility and benefits for “any means-tested program”.

Therefore, income received for participation in an HPOG-funded program is **excluded** from countable income for cash, food and medical programs.

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