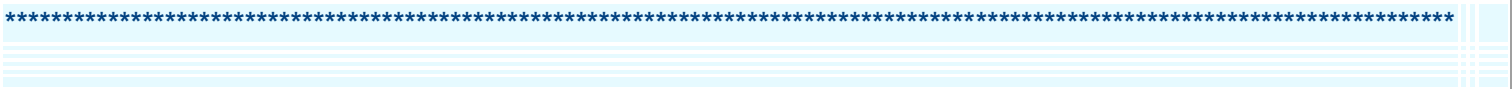


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Summary

Updated typos and clarifying language. Removed Worker Responsibilities and procedural information moving it to the Interim Assistance Reimbursement Authorization procedure. Added Note and left the HIU procedural information for staff reference.



SSI Facilitation- SSA Interim Assistance Reimbursement Authorization (IARA)

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WAC 388-449-0200 - Am I eligible for cash assistance for Aged, Blind, or Disabled (ABD) while waiting for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)?

WAC 388-449-0210 - What is interim assistance and how do I assign it to the department?

Clarifying Information

1. Persons receiving ABD cash are required to sign a DSHS 18-235, SSI Interim Assistance Reimbursement Authorization (IARA) agreeing to repay interim assistance.
2. The State of Washington and the Social Security Administration (SSA) have a written agreement that the IARA is also a notice of intent to file an an SSI application.
3. The IARA signed date is the protective filing date when:

- a. The IARA is filed with the SSA District Office within 30 days of the client's signature date on the IARA.
 - b. An SSI application is filed with SSA within 60 calendar days of the client's signature date on the IARA.
4. Once the IARA is filed with SSA, the IARA is effective for interim assistance repayment for as long as the SSI application is active.

Worker Responsibilities

~~Search IESA Clarification Database~~

~~DSHS staff must perform the following actions:~~

~~Ensure that a valid IARA has been obtained from persons receiving ABD cash.~~

~~Sign and date the IARA representing DSHS.~~

~~Ensure the original IARA is received by SSA within 30 calendar days from the date that the SSIF signs it.~~

~~For IARAs signed in the CSO:~~

~~Discuss the IARA with the person so that the person understands how it works.~~

~~Send the original IARA to SSA and make two copies. Give a copy to the person and send a copy to DMS.~~

NOTE:

1. ~~For IARAs~~ When the IARA is received in the mail by HIU:

a. The ~~HIU~~ staff will sign the IARA and fax ~~the original~~ to the appropriate SSA office with an SSA cover letter.

b. The IARA received date will ~~be~~ automatically filled in ICMS SSI Tracking Screen with the date the HIU prints the IARA SSA cover letter.

c. The HIU staff will image the IARA and assign it to the SSIF ~~or ISW~~ of record.

d. Unsigned or unusable IARAs will be imaged with a cover letter indicating the IARA was not sent to SSA and that a new IARA will need to be obtained.

Related Procedures (Staff Only)

- SSI Initial Application Print and Mail Procedure
- Submitting an SSA iClaim/i3368
- Interim Assistance Reimbursement Authorization (IARA) DSHS 18-235
- SSI Facilitation-Application | DSHS (wa.gov)
- SSI Facilitation - SSA Determinations and Appeals | DSHS (wa.gov)

~~d. Once filed with SSA the IARA is effective for interim assistance repayment for:~~

~~a. 12 months from the signed date.~~

~~b. As long as the SSI application is active.~~