Special Assistance In-Home Program Economic Assessment Worksheet Appendix I SA/IH CM Manual

Assess the client's economic status by reviewing all sources of income and expenses, including unmet financial needs. Complete the entire worksheet to obtain a comprehensive financial assessment. The expenses are divided into two categories; "essential" and "non-essential" with a category added for "unmet financial needs" which are not current monthly expenses. When reviewing the client's expenses, only the essential expenses and essential unmet needs will be those that will be included in the total amount to be considered when calculating any deficit for the SA/IH payment. Document additional economic information as needed in Items B through I.

Client's Name:	Date Economic Assessment Initiated:
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A. INCOME AND EXPENSES

Monthly IN (enter o	ICOME n Item J.1)	Monthly EXPENSES (if expenses are shared with another, list portion for which client is responsible; (enter on Item J.2)		Unmet Financial Need (enter on Item J.6)			
Source (list)*	Amount	Essential (list)**	Amount	Non-Essential (list)	Amount	Unmet Need***	Amount
	\$		\$		\$		\$
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	\$		\$		\$		\$
TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$

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*Examples of Income Sources:	Social Security, SSI, Veteran's Benefits, dividends/interest, Railroad Retirement, pension, other retirement, salary/wages/earnings, income from rental property or other business, child support, alimony, General Assistance, on-going cash from others.
**Examples of Essential Expenses	Rent/mortgage, electricity, heating –cooling fuel costs (prorate to monthly amount), water/sewer, food, clothing (prorate to monthly amount), home repair and household maintenance costs (based on identified safety need), laundry, medical bills/prescriptions and co-pays, property taxes (prorate), essential insurance premiums (prorate), transportation costs, other essential expenses. Document the correlation to health and safety.
***Unmet Financial Need	May include unmet needs or expenses that are not accounted for in the monthly expenses. This would include one-time purchases or a new service that the client has not had access to but is an essential need. Examples of this might include deposits, purchase of basic furnishings, etc.
Personal Needs Allowance	The client is allowed a \$66.00 per month Personal Needs Allowance (PNA). This amount is disregarded when calculating the client's income and can be used by the client for those items not considered essential expenses. The \$66.00 is based on the current Special Assistance PNA for individuals residing in a licensed residential care facility. This includes the \$20 disregard which applies to most unearned income sources.
Other Benefits	Rental Assistance including tenant-based rental assistance, Energy Assistance (seasonal). List these under monthly income sources.
Resources	Assess the availability of liquid resources that might be available to meet needs.

B. Does Client Have Medical Coverage

Source	Yes	No	Effective Date	Application Date if client is not already eligible	Current Client Cost (include in Essential Monthly Expenses, if appropriate)
Medicaid					\$
Medicare					\$
Part A					\$
Part B					\$
Part D					\$
Private Health Insurance or					\$
Marketplace (include name)					
Other					\$

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C. Other Resources				
Source	Yes	No	Bank or other Financial Institution Name	Balance
Savings Account				\$
Retirement Account				\$
Other Assets				\$
Burial Plan (Is the Plan Irrevocable?)				\$
			way the client's money is managed (by se	
G. If client has resources that	are not b	peing use	ed, document why they are not being use	ed to meet the client's needs.
H. Clients/family's perceived	unmet ne	eds incl	ude (Include estimated costs for unmet ne	eeds when possible.)
I. Document any In-Kind sup	port or a	ssistance	e the client receives. Consider this when	determining unmet needs.

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J. COMPUTATION OF SA IH PAYMENT

1. Total Monthly Available Income including other Resources or Benefits	\$
2. Total Monthly Essential Expenses (To the Monthly Essential Expenses Total on Section A, add the \$66 personal needs allowance)	\$
3. Total Monthly Deficit or Surplus (This is the difference between #1 and #2. Show + or -)	\$
4. SA/IH Maximum Payment Amount (determined by DSS income maintenance caseworker)	\$
5. Compare total in #3 to Maximum Payment Amount in #4. If #3 is deficit, can recommended deficit amount be covered in maximum payment amount?	Y N
6. If there are legitimate unmet financial needs that must be included in the monthly payment amount, enter amount.	\$
7. Recommended SA/IH Payment Amount (If payment exceeds amount in #3, document reason below).*	\$

*List below those items and amounts from Page 1, **Unmet Financial Need**, that need to be addressed to ensure the client's health and safety. Enter in Item 6 above. Make sure to adjust the payment if these are one time or short term expenses.

Unmet Need Reason for SA/IH Payment Need	Amount to be Addressed by SA/IH Payment	Anticipated Duration (Date need will be met)

Client's Name:	<u></u>			
Se	ection K: Special As	sistance In-Home Plan		
The SA/IH maximum authorized payment to the SA/IH recommended authorized payments				
Client has following unmet needs based Service/Item	on the economic ass Initial Monthly Amount	sessment. The SA /IH fund Change in Service/Item	ds will be used for to Revised payment Amount	he following: Date/Initial Change
TOTAL Recommended SA/IH Payment (cannot exceed maximum authorized by DSS)	\$		\$	
Client agrees to use the SA/IH payment reduction or termination of payment. If Reassessment, document above. Work	changes are needed	in the SA/IH Plan prior to t	· .	,
Client/Representative Signature		Date		
Worker Signature		 Date		