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TO: W-2 Manual Holders

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RE: Wisconsin Works Manual

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EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

The effective date of the change is the date of publication. However, if the change was announced through an Operations or Administrator's Memo, the change is effective on the date identified in the memo. If there is a different effective date or implementation schedule other than the publication date or the date identified in the Operations or Administrator's Memo, it will be highlighted below.

CHANGES

| 6.2.1 and 6.2.2 Opera | <u>tions Memo</u> | <u>) 11-59</u> | nas | been incor | porated | i into t | ine i | vianuai. | Manual | |
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Sections 6.2.1 and 6.2.2 have been updated to reflect policy regarding the requirement for employed participants to attend face-to-face Employability

Plan (EP) appointments.

10.4.1 Operations Memo 11-57 has been incorporated in to the Manual. Manual

Section 10.4.1 has been updated to reflect acceptance of prepaid debit cards

as an account type on AGET.

Chapter 12 As part of the Manual reorganization, Chapter 12 – Learnfare, has been

moved to Chapter 16. (see below)

Chapter 15 As part of the Manual reorganization, Chapter 15 – Child Care, which

provided a link to the Child Care Manual, has been removed. (see below)

Chapter 16 As part of the Manual reorganization, Chapter 16 – Child Support, has been

moved to Chapter 15. (see below)

Chapter 19 As part of the Manual reorganization, Chapter 19 – W-2 Dispute Resolution,

has been moved to Chapter 12. (see below)

Appendix -Activity Codes The code CC – Child Care Related Activities, has been expanded to include contacting a child care resource and referral network, researching availability of child care, touring child care facilities, and interviewing child care providers.

Throughout

The term two-parent famil(ies) has been replaced with two-parent household(s).

**W-2 POLICY MANUAL REORGANIZATION

Over the next several releases, the following changes will be made to the W-2 Policy Manual to increase the logical flow of information. Chapter and section references will be updated as chapters are moved. If a chapter that is already in RoboHelp moves from one location to another, all of the related history will move with it. For example, the Child Support Chapter is already in RoboHelp and it is moving from Chapter 16 to Chapter 15. Once the move is made, W-2 Manual users can find history for a particular policy by going to the current section in the Manual (which will now be in Chapter 15) and clicking "View History" on the top right corner of the screen.

| | Current Chapter Name and Number | New location of Current Chapter | ' | pcoming Chapter Name and Number | Anticipated Manual Release Number |
|----|---|-------------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| 1 | Introduction | no change | 1 | Introduction | N/A |
| 2 | Nonfinancial Eligibility | no change | 2 | Nonfinancial Eligibility | N/A |
| 3 | Financial Eligibility | no change | 3 | Financial Eligibility | N/A |
| 4 | Case Processing Requirements | no change | 4 | Case Processing Requirements | N/A |
| 5 | Assessment | no change | 5 | Assessment | N/A |
| 6 | Employability Plan | no change | 6 | Employability Plan | N/A |
| 7 | W-2 Employment Ladder Placements | Renamed and incorporates Chapter 14 | 7 | W-2 Placements | 12-02 |
| 8 | Education and Training | no change | 8 | Education and Training W-2 Work Training | N/A |
| 9 | W-2 Work Training Provider/Employer Guidelines | no change | 9 | Provider/Employer Guidelines | N/A |
| 10 | W-2 Payments | no change | 10 | W-2 Payments | N/A |
| 11 | W-2 Sanctions and Case Closures | no change | 11 | W-2 Sanctions and Case Closures | N/A |
| 12 | Learnfare | 16 | 12 | Dispute Resolution | 11-06 |
| 13 | Job Access Loans | 17 | 13 | hold for Fraud policy | 12-02 |
| 14 | | incorporated into Chapter 7 | 14 | Two-Parent Households | 12-02 |
| 15 | | Deleted | 15 | | 11-06 |
| 16 | Child Support | 15 | 16 | Learnfare | 11-06 |
| 17 | Emergency Assistance | EA manual | 17 | Job Access Loans | 12-02 |
| 18 | Other Services and Resources | 19 12 | 18 19 | Refugee Assistance Program Other W-2 Resources | 12-01 12-01 |
| 19 | W-2 Dispute Resolution | | 19 | | |
| 20 | Refugee Assistance Program | 19 | | Deleted | 12-01 |