

Position Statement

2021

Proposal

Issue:

MN Statute 256J.30: Subd. 8. Late MFIP household report forms.

(b) When the county agency receives an incomplete MFIP household report form, the county agency must immediately return the incomplete form and clearly state what the caregiver must do for the form to be complete.

Implementation Strategy:

Modify language in MN Statute 256J.30: Subd. 8 to allow the information missing to be acquired over the phone with the MFIP caregiver.

b) When the county agency receives an incomplete MFIP household report form, the county agency must ~~immediately return the incomplete form and clearly state what the caregiver must do for the form to be complete~~ contact the caregiver to acquire the necessary information through either verbal or written means.

Systemic Priority Alignment (highlight all that apply and explain why)

- Equity

Comments: It will simplify the process and allow clients to get needed resources sooner.

Relevant Committee (highlight all that apply and explain why)

- Self-Sufficiency

Why:

Rationale/Background:

Employed or recently employed households receiving Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) are required to complete a monthly household report form. Often a question on this form is missed by the caregiver and is therefore considered incomplete. MN Statute 256J.30: Subd. 8. requires that an incomplete household report form be returned by mail to the recipient to be completed and sent back. This creates an extra work for the financial worker and may cause a delay in benefits to the household. The statute change does not have a fiscal impact and does not require an update to the MAXIS system. This change supports program simplification.



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