# Department of Human Services

# Division of Family Development

#### Advance Notice

### Clarification of Standard Mileage Rate

# To Whom It May Concern:

The New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development intends to amend N.J.A.C. 10:87-5.10, which governs the New Jersey Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (NJ SNAP), by providing a standard mileage reimbursement rate for transportation costs. NJ SNAP recipients, when calculating the cost of transportation for use of their privately owned vehicle to obtain medical treatment or services, can utilize this mileage reimbursement rate. Current rules allow for reasonable cost of transportation to be deducted as an income deduction, but the rules do not provide the reimbursement rate amount. The proposed amendment to N.J.A.C. 10:87-5.10 would provide that the standard mileage reimbursement rate shall be the rate established annually by the New Jersey Department of Treasury, Office of Management and Budget circular regarding mileage reimbursement for use of personal vehicles. The mileage rate may be subject to decrease or increase as established by legislation or State law. Codifying the standard mileage rate per mile is necessary in order to ensure that the correct reimbursement amount is utilized.

Interested parties may submit informal comments on this advance notice within thirty (30) days of its publication on the Department of Human Services' website. Please submit your informal comments to:

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You will also have a 60-day opportunity to submit formal comments on any actual proposed amendments subsequent to the publication of such proposal in the <u>New Jersey</u> <u>Register</u>. Such proposal will also be published on the Department of Human Services' website.