

# MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID

## Eligibility Policy and Procedures Manual

CHAPTER 300 - Resources

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### **302.09.09B VICTIMS COMPENSATION**

Some states establish funds to assist victims of crimes. Unspent payments received from such a fund are excluded for 9 months if received for expenses incurred or losses suffered because of crime, e.g., lost wages, medical expenses incurred due to injuries, etc. Interest earned on unspent victims' compensation payments is not excluded from income or resources.

### **302.09.09C RELOCATON ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS**

Relocation assistance is sometimes provided to persons displaced by projects which acquire real property. Relocation assistance may be provided under local, state or federal programs. Such payments may be excluded for certain lengths of time. The length of the exclusion depends on the source:

- **State and Local Program Assistance** – unspent funds are excluded from resources for 9 months
- **Federal Assistance** – There is no time limit on the exclusion for assistance provided under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Policies Act of 1970

Interest earned on unspent payments is not excluded from income or resources.

### **302.09.09D TAX ADVANCES AND REFUNDS RELATED TO EARNED INCOME TAX CREDITS (EITC) AND CHILD TAX CREDITS (CTC)**

Unspent federal tax refunds or payments related to the Earned Income Tax Credits (EITC) or Child Tax Credits (CTC) are excluded from resources for twelve (12) calendar months following the month the refund or payment is received. Interest earned on any unspent tax funds related to EITC or CTC is not excluded as income or a resource.

### **302.09.09E RADIATION EXPOSURE COMPENSATON TRUST FUND PAYMENTS**

The Radiation Exposure Compensation Trust Fund (RECTF) authorized the Department of Justice to make compensation payments to individuals (or their survivors) that were found to have contracted certain diseases after exposure. The payments will be made as a one-time lump sum. Unspent payments are excluded from resources. Interest earned on unspent payments is excluded income.