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| 1/04 SSA Cost of living allowance (COLA) | | ✓ Updates income and expense standards, puts tables in addendum | ✓ Updates income and payment standards, puts tables in addendum | ✓ Updates income standards for Family Med, puts tables in addendum ✓ Adds 10/03 reduction to DKC & PW standards, & freeze in LTC standards |
| New policy | ✓ Adds new Semi Annual Change Reporting policy | | | |
| Policy Updates | ✓ Adds resource and income exemption for Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Payments | ✓ Adds resource and income exemption for Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Payments | ✓ Adds resource and income exemption for Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Payments | ✓ Adds resource and income exemption for Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Payments |

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| Policy Updates (continued) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Updates the self-employment mileage expense allowed for vehicles used less than 50% of the time (2004 IRS standard) ✓ Removes reference to Alaska Longevity Bonus (ALB) payments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Updates the self-employment mileage expense allowed for vehicles used less than 50% of the time (2004 IRS standard) ✓ Clarifies change reporting requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Updates the mileage work expense allowed for individuals who are blind (2004 IRS standard) ✓ Clarifies change reporting requirements ✓ Removes reference to Alaska Longevity Bonus (ALB) and ALB Hold Harmless payments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Updates the self-employment mileage expense allowed for vehicles used less than 50% of the time (2004 IRS standard) ✓ Clarifies change reporting requirements; incorporates the \$50 unearned income change report rule ✓ Removes reference to Alaska Longevity Bonus (ALB) payments |

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| Policy Updates (continued) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Clarifies work exemption criteria for employed individuals ✓ Clarifies budgeting of wages and advanced wages; corrects policy on budgeting a disqualified felon's income ✓ Updates the 3 year period of eligibility for which ABAWDs can get 3 months of food stamps ✓ Updates verification of income requirements at recert | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ New table of contents | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Updates forms needed for Interim Assistance eligibility determination ✓ Adds income exemption for Alaska Senior Assistance payments ✓ Reorganizes section on payees and updated examples ✓ New Index | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Clarifies household loses eligibility for ME if an individual does not develop income (unless optional member) ✓ Removes duplicate PFD policy ✓ Changes references from DMA to DHCS and DPA ✓ Removes outdated policy regarding Med 10B form |