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## POLICY BULLETIN #12-113-ELI

### EXEMPTION OF DISASTER PAYMENTS TO VICTIMS OF TROPICAL STORM SANDY

<b>Date:</b> December 6, 2012	<b>Subtopic(s):</b> Tropical Storm Sandy
<p>☞ This procedure can now be accessed on the FIAweb.</p>	<p>The purpose of this policy bulletin is to inform Job Center and Non Cash Assistance (NCA) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Center staff that the following disaster payments to victims of Tropical Storm Sandy are permanently exempt from income and resources when determining eligibility for Cash Assistance (CA) and SNAP benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal assistance provided under Public Law (P.L) 93-288, section 312 (d) (Disaster Relief Act of 1974), as amended by P.L. 100-707. This includes assistance paid to residents of the disaster areas and people who live outside the areas, who lost their jobs as a direct result of the storm. Therefore, this includes Unemployment Insurance Benefits (UIB) received from the New York State (NYS) Department of Labor (DOL) Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) paid beginning October 29, 2012, to persons directly affected by the storm whose employment or self-employment has been lost or interrupted as a result of the storm;</li> <li>• Comparable disaster assistance payments provided by State or local governments, or by disaster assistance organizations such as the American Red Cross or the Salvation Army; and</li> <li>• Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) payments made as a result of the storm.</li> </ul> <p><i>Effective Immediately</i></p> <p><b>References:</b></p> <p>GIS 12 TA/DC031 18 NYCRR 352.16 (a), 352.22 (f), 387.9, 387.11 42 USC 5155 (d)</p>

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