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POLICY BULLETIN #20-62-SYS

DISABLING OF WMS (WELFARE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM) REASON CODES

Date: October 8, 2020	Subtopic(s): WMS Codes
	<p>The purpose of this policy bulletin is to inform Job Center staff that the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) opening reason code A40 has been disabled and the following Reason codes have been disallowed: A32, A33, A39, A42, or A43 with Cash Assistance (CA) Case Types Family Assistance (FA), Safety Net Cash Assistance (SNCA) and Safety Net Non Cash Assistance (SNNC).</p> <p><u>SNAP Opening Reason Code Descriptions</u> A32 - 1st Month Prorate - Applied Before the 16th A33 - 1st Month Prorate - Applied After the 15th A39 - SNAP Approval - NYSNIP A40 - FS Approval - Group Home Standardized Benefit (GHSB) A42 - SNAP Approval - NYSNIP: 1st Month Prorated; Applied before the 16th A43 - Approval - NYSNIP 1st Month Prorate - Applied after the 15th</p> <p>Job Opportunity Specialist (JOS)/Workers have been using these codes on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) portion of Cash Assistance (CA)/SNAP cases despite the codes being discontinued. To correct this the following changes have been made:</p> <p>Reason Code A40 for both CA and SNAP has been disabled and is invalid for all WMS transactions. SNAP opening reason codes A32, A33, A39, A42 or A43 cannot be used to open the SNAP portion of CA Case Types FA, SNCA, and SNNC.</p> <p>Note: These Reason codes are only valid for Case Type Non Cash Assistance Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (NPA-FS).</p>

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WMS will display the following errors:

- If reason code **A40** is input for either PA or SNAP, the transaction will result in the error **E1051-- INVALID CASE REASON CODE**.
- If reason code **A32, A33, A39, A42** or **A43** is input, and the case type is **11, 12, 16,** or **17,** the transaction will result in error(s) **E2490-INVALID CASE REASON CODE FOR CASE TYPE** and/or **E1053-CASE REASON CODE WRONG FOR CATEGORY**.

The following codes should be used to replace the previously mentioned disabled codes:

A48 SNAP Approval - 1st Month Prorated: Applied BEFORE the 16th

A49 SNAP Approval - 1st Month Prorated: Applied AFTER the 15th

There is no replacement for **A40**.

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