

SUBCHAPTER 1. EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF PROGRAM OPERATIONS

10:84-1.6 Standard of need

(a)-(c) (No change.)

(d) The standard of need is set forth in the table below. Each year, the Department of Human Services will provide, through a notice of administrative change published in the New Jersey Register, an updated standard of need.

Number in Family	Standard of Need	Monthly Standard
1		[\$1,942] \$2,502
2		[\$2,254] \$2,831
3		[\$3,004] \$3,485
4		[\$3,872] \$4,393
5		[\$4,184] \$4,722
6		[\$5,037] \$5,353
7		[\$5,349] \$5,681
8		[\$5,660] \$6,010
more than 8	add [\$312]	\$336 each person

(a)

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT
Notice of Administrative Change
Work First New Jersey/General Assistance Rate in Residential Health Care Facilities
N.J.A.C. 10:90-3.17**

Effective Date: May 9, 2022.

Take notice that, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:90-3.17(a)1, the Department of Human Services announces that the rate to be paid for Work First New Jersey/General Assistance individuals in residential health care facilities has been increased to \$1,051.05 monthly. This change became effective January 1, 2022, and is the same in both the amount and effective date as the change in the rate for the same services paid to recipients under the Federal program of Supplemental Security Income.

Full text of the changed rule follows (additions indicated in boldface **thus**; deletions indicated in brackets [thus]):

SUBCHAPTER 3. FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY—INCOME, RESOURCES, BENEFITS

10:90-3.17 WFNJ/GA special payment provisions for other living arrangements

(a) When an individual is purchasing a room and board living arrangement, the following shall apply:

1. When an individual who is in need of extensive personal services on a regular and continuous basis is purchasing a room and board living arrangement in a residential health care facility (licensed by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for purposes other than the care or treatment of drug or alcohol abuse), the monthly assistance payment ([\$960.05] **\$1,051.05**), including a personal allowance, shall not exceed the rate approved by the New Jersey Department of the Treasury, less any countable income. When a rate increase is approved, a notice of administrative change to that effect will be published in the New Jersey Register. Information about the current rate may also be obtained by contacting the DFD. However, the cost of purchasing such living arrangement shall not exceed the minimum amount [which] **that** the establishment customarily charges to or for other guests not dependent on public assistance, for the same accommodations and/or services.

2.-3. (No change.)

(b)

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT
Notice of Administrative Change
Social Services Programs—Personal Needs Allowance**

N.J.A.C. 10:123-3.4

Effective Date: May 9, 2022.

Take notice that the Division of Family Development is changing the rate of the personal needs allowance reserved by the owner or operator for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients and Work First New Jersey/General Assistance recipients living in residential health care facilities and for SSI recipients living in boarding homes. The amended rate is in the amount of at least \$126.00 per month provided that the rate of the total 2022 Federal Social Security cost-of-living increase is 5.9 percent. No owner or operator or agent thereof shall interfere with the recipient’s retention, use, or control of the personal needs allowance.

This notice is being given to inform the public that the Division of Family Development increased the rate of the personal needs allowance to \$126.00 effective January 1, 2022, for SSI recipients and Work First New Jersey/General Assistance recipients living in residential health care facilities and for SSI recipients living in boarding homes. This increase is based on the total 2022 Federal Social Security cost-of-living increase and is consistent with N.J.A.C. 10:123-3.4(a) and (c), which require the announcement of the personal needs allowance increase through public notice. Through this notice, N.J.A.C. 10:123-3.4(a) is changed to reflect this changed rate.

Full text of the changed rule follows (addition indicated in boldface **thus**; deletion indicated in brackets [thus]):

SUBCHAPTER 3. PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE

10:123-3.4 Amount

(a) The owner or operator of each residential health care facility or boarding home shall reserve to each Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipient residing therein, and the owner or operator of each residential health care facility shall reserve to each Work First New Jersey/General Assistance recipient residing therein, a personal needs allowance in the amount of at least [\$112.00] **\$126.00** per month, set according to (b) below, and noticed in the New Jersey Register and otherwise publicized, in accordance with (c) below. No owner or operator, or agency thereof, shall interfere with the recipient’s retention, use, or control of the personal needs allowance.

(b)-(c) (No change.)

CORRECTIONS

(c)

**THE COMMISSIONER
Substance Use Disorder Treatment Programs
Readoption with Amendments: N.J.A.C. 10A:24
Adopted Repeal and New Rule: N.J.A.C. 10A:24-1.2
Adopted Repeals: N.J.A.C. 10A:24-2.11 and 2.14**

Proposed: February 22, 2022, at 54 N.J.R. 328(a).

Adopted: May 3, 2022, by Victoria L. Kuhn, Acting Commissioner, Department of Corrections.

Filed: May 10, 2022, as R.2022 d.067, **without change**.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 30:1B-6 and 30:1B-10.

Effective Dates: May 10, 2022, Readoption;
June 6, 2022, Amendments, Repeals, and New Rule.

Expiration Date: May 10, 2029.