

1 [SSIP--Advocacy Program.]

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3 **Ordinance amending Administrative Code Section 20.205.2 to establish an advocacy**
4 **program within the Department of Human Services to assist individuals with their**
5 **applications for Supplemental Security Income and to require recipients of SSIP**
6 **benefits to participate in an SSI advocacy program.**

7 Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;
8 deletions are *strikethrough italics Times New Roman*.
9 Board amendment additions are double underlined.
Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

10 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

11 Section 1. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending
12 Section 20.205.2, to read as follows:

13 SEC. 20.205.2. APPLICATION FOR SSI.

14 (a) All applicants for SSIP must apply to the SSA for SSI, but ~~have~~ not yet
15 received SSI benefits.

16 (b) The Department of Human Services shall establish an SSI advocacy program to
17 assist recipients in applying and completing the requirements for SSI, including pursuit of all
18 reconsideration and appeals processes. DHS shall provide these services directly and through
19 contracts with community-based agencies offering SSI advocacy services.

20 (bc) If an applicant has been discontinued from, or determined to be ineligible
21 for, SSI by the SSA, based upon requirements other than failure to establish a disability within
22 the meaning of SSA regulations, that applicant shall not be eligible for SSIP or ~~However, such~~
23 ~~applicant may be eligible for assistance under~~ the PAES, CALM or General Assistance Program~~s~~.

24 (d-e) SSIP applicants and/or recipients shall:
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1 (1) Apply for SSI/SSP if a disabling condition is likely to exist or has existed
2 for twelve (12) consecutive months ~~a year~~ or longer, authorize Department of Human Services
3 reimbursement of SSIP payments from retroactive SSI/SSP benefits, also known as Interim
4 Assistance Reimbursement, and pursue and comply with the procedures under the SSI/SSP
5 Program for successful qualification for benefits under that program; and

6 (2) Participate in an SSI advocacy program either through DHS or through a DHS
7 approved community-based agency offering SSI advocacy services.

8 (23) Apply for and pursue a claim for any other appropriate benefit program
9 available to the applicant or recipient and pursue and comply with the procedures for
10 successful qualification under such benefit program.

11 Section 2. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding
12 Section 20.205.2A, to read as follows:

13 SEC. 20.205.2A. Funding for SSI Advocacy Services. SSI Advocacy services provided by DHS
14 directly and through contracts with community-based agencies offering SSI advocacy services shall be
15 subject to availability of funding.

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