City and County of San Francisco

Human Services Agency



Department of Human Services
Department of Aging and Adult Services
Office of Early Care and Education

Trent Rhorer, Executive Director

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Ms. Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board City and County of San Francisco 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102 – 4689

Re: Technical Administration Code Correction to the County Adult Assistance Programs

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

Attached please find one original red-lined original and one copy of a proposed ordinance for submission to the Board of Supervisors to make a technical correction to the City and County of San Francisco's County Adult Assistance Programs (CAAP).

Over the past year, we have seen several cases of CalWORKs recipients who have had their children removed by the child welfare system and are seeking assistance under San Francisco's County Adult Assistance Programs; however, these individuals are determined ineligible due limitations in the current CAAP ordinance.

In 2016, the Board of Supervisors enacted legislation amending the Administrative Code to consolidate administration of the four related CAAP programs. At that time, the City applied the ban on participation by persons who had reached their CalWORKs 48-month time limit to <u>all</u> of the CAAP programs, even though state law requires that it be applied only to General Assistance.

As a result, adults who have reached their time limit for CalWORKs and no longer have minors in their care find themselves ineligible for any type of assistance. Under the proposed ordinance, persons who reach their 48-month CalWORKs time limit and whose children are no longer under their care would be eligible to continue to receive aid through the following CAAP sub-programs: Personal Assisted Employment Services, Cash Assistance Linked to Medi-Cal, and Supplemental Security Income Pending, provided that they otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for one of those programs.

The following person may be contacted regarding this matter: Susie Smith, Human Services Agency Deputy Director, Policy and Planning; (415) 557-6348; ssggov.org

Due to the urgency of these indigent individuals who would be assisted by this ordinance change, I respectfully request that this item be calendared as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Trent Rhorer Executive Director