

Greetings,

Please apply the following changes to the version 5 revisions to the Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide (FP 104-009-2):

- Line 3043, add the wording 'activities of daily living and/or' before 'the treatment', so it reads '**Durable medical equipment** is reusable medical equipment necessary for activities of daily living and/or the treatment of an illness or'
- Line 3050, add the word 'utilized' before 'ingested' so it reads 'Consumable medical supplies are medical supplies that are utilized, ingested, injected, or applied or are for'
- Line 3186, add the wording 'breastfeeding/chestfeeding support items,' before 'formula', so it reads 'Infant breastfeeding/chestfeeding support items, formula, baby food, and diapers;'
- Line 3208, add the wording 'all' before 'survivors' and ',including those' before 'disabilities', so it reads 'Care for all survivors, including those with disabilities or access and functional needs, including the provision of the'
- Line 3210, add the wording '/feeding' after 'eating' so it reads 'Grooming, eating/feeding, walking, bathing, toileting, dressing, and undressing;'
- Line 3213, add the wording 'human milk/breastmilk and' before 'medications, so it reads 'Assisting with self-administering human milk/breastmilk and medications; and'

I also believe that more clarification and most likely policy changes need to be made to the application of what is commonly known as Public Assistance Category B Protective Measures, specifically towards Presidentially Declared *Emergencies* (what is currently noted in this document on lines 66-67 for Stafford Act Title V Section 502, only). The Federal government needs to additionally support the SLTTs for many (if not most) of the elements of Section 403 – Essential Assistance, on declared Emergencies, not just Major Disaster Declarations:

Specifically, I urge FEMA to document in FP 104-009-2 the capability during declared Emergencies, to support the SLTTs with medicine, food and other consumables (403(a)2); and work and services to save lives and protect property (403(a)3).

Thank you,

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