

**CSMS CASE EXAMPLES FOR
AUTOMATED CATEGORIZING OF ARREARS
Effective October 30, 2009**

The following case examples show how CSMS will determine the categories of arrears that will exist on an account effective with October 30, 2009 CSMS month end processing.

EXAMPLE 1 –ASSIGNMENT OF SUPPORT RIGHTS AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2009

October 5, 2009	TA application is made (TA application date)
October 19, 2009	Date of TA initial eligibility
October 25, 2009	TA case opens and is reported to the SCU on the IVA-IVD interface report
November 9, 2009	SCU performs account maintenance, establishing appropriate ledgers
November 27, 2009	CSMS end-of-month run determines categories of arrears based on TA application date

A Temporary Assistance (TA) application is made on October 5, 2009. The family has never applied for or received assistance prior to October 5, 2009. The TA case opens on October 25, 2009, with assistance granted from the date of TA initial eligibility on October 19, 2009. The Support Collection Unit (SCU) has an existing CSMS account based on an order of support pertaining to an individual receiving services under Social Services Law §111-g. The SCU does not petition the court for a modification. The order of support includes a current obligation of \$100 per week, and arrears/past-due support have accrued from periods of non-payment in the amount of \$1,800 through October 5, 2009, and an additional \$200 for charge dates of October 9 and 16, 2009.

The SCU performs maintenance on the CSMS account on November 9, 2009 based on the last charge date of November 6, 2009, and establishes the DSS ledger type which includes a 21AV for the current support obligation. After the account maintenance is completed, during the CSMS month end processing on November 27, 2009, CSMS will categorize the arrears/past-due support as follows:

- 11BV \$2,000 The portion of arrears/past-due support which accrued prior to the date of TA initial eligibility for assistance through October 18, 2009 (using the last charge date of October 16, 2009) remain due to the family as never-assigned family arrears and will appear in the NVR-ASG-AR field on IVDQRY.
- 21AV \$600 The ledger will contain the current obligation of \$100 per week, and the unpaid current support from October 23 through November 6, 2009 which totals \$300, plus additional unpaid current support from November 9 through November 27, 2009 which totals \$300, for a total of \$600 in the NET-DUE field; accrues as permanently-assigned arrears in the PRM-ASG-ARRS field on IVDQRY.

Summary: Because the family applied for TA **after** October 1, 2009, the mandatory changes to the assignment of support rights at application limits the amount of assigned support to that which accrues during the assistance period. In this example, arrears/past-due support accrued during a period before the assistance period and therefore remain due to the family. Any arrears/past-due support that accrues

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on or after the date of TA initial eligibility and which accrues while the family remains on assistance is permanently-assigned to the State.

The categories of arrears and their respective balances will appear on the individual ledger pages of the CSMS IVDQRY screen after the November 27, 2009 month end processing as follows:

UNAP-AST-ARR	0.00	TMP-ASG-AR	0.00	PRM-ASG-ARRS	600.00
UNAD-AST-ARR	0.00	NVR-ASG-AR	2,000.00	CND-ASG-ARRS	0.00

EXAMPLE 2 –ASSIGNMENT OF SUPPORT RIGHTS PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 2009

September 28, 2009	TA application is made (TA application date)
October 19, 2009	Date of TA initial eligibility
October 25, 2009	TA case opens and is reported to the SCU on the IVA-IVD interface report
November 9, 2009	SCU performs account maintenance, establishing appropriate ledgers
November 27, 2009	CSMS end-of-month run determines categories of arrears based on TA application date

A TA application is made on September 28, 2009. The family has never applied for or received assistance prior to September 28, 2009. The TA case opens on October 25, 2009, with assistance granted from the date of TA initial eligibility on October 19, 2009. The SCU has an existing CSMS account based on an order of support pertaining to an individual receiving services under Social Services Law §111-g. The SCU does not petition the court for a modification. The order of support includes a current obligation of \$100 per week, and arrears/past-due support have accrued from periods of non-payment in the amount of \$1,700 through September 28, 2009, and an additional \$300 for the last charge dates of October 2, 9 and 16, 2009.

The SCU performs maintenance on the CSMS account on November 9, 2009 based on the last charge date of November 6, 2009, and establishes the DSS ledger type which includes a 21AV for the current support obligation. After the account maintenance is completed, during the CSMS month end processing on November 27, 2009, CSMS will categorize the arrears/past-due support as follows:

- 11BV \$2,000 The portion of arrears/past-due support which accrued through October 16, 2009 and which, under an assignment of support rights prior to October 1, 2009, are temporarily-assigned to the State and will appear in the TMP-ASG-AR field on IVDQRY.

- 21AV \$600 The ledger will contain the current obligation of \$100 per week, and the unpaid current support from October 23 through November 6, 2009 which totals \$300, plus additional unpaid support which accrues from November 9 through November 27, 2009 which totals \$300, for a total of \$600 in the NET-DUE field; accrues as permanently-assigned arrears in the PRM-ASG-ARRS field on IVDQRY.

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Summary: Because the family applied for TA **before** October 1, 2009, the family temporarily assigned rights to support which accrued prior to receipt of assistance (“pre-assistance arrears”) and permanently assigned all rights to support which will accrue until the family leaves the assistance program (“during assistance arrears”).

The categories of arrears and their respective balances will appear on the individual ledger pages of the CSMS IVDQRY screen after the November 27, 2009 month end processing as follows:

UNAP-AST-ARR	0.00	TMP-ASG-AR	2,000.00	PRM-ASG-ARRS	600.00
UNAD-AST-ARR	0.00	NVR-ASG-AR	0.00	CND-ASG-ARRS	0.00

EXAMPLE 3 – FORMER TA RECIPIENT UNDER A PRE-OCTOBER 1, 2009 ASSIGNMENT OF SUPPORT RIGHTS APPLIES FOR TA AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2009

October 5, 2009	TA application is made (TA application date)
October 19, 2009	Date of TA initial eligibility
October 25, 2009	TA case opens and is reported to the SCU on the IVA-IVD interface report
November 9, 2009	SCU performs account maintenance, establishing appropriate ledgers
November 27, 2009	CSMS end-of-month run determines categories of arrears based on TA application date

A TA application is made by a former-assistance recipient on October 5, 2009. The TA case opens on October 25, 2009, with assistance granted from the date of TA initial eligibility on October 19, 2009. The SCU has an existing CSMS account based on an order of support which was established by the SCU under an assignment of support rights prior to October 1, 2009. The SCU does not petition the court for a modification. The order of support includes a current obligation of \$100 per week, and arrears/past-due support has accrued from periods of non-payment in the amount of \$5,000 through October 16, 2009. Those arrears/past-due support include conditionally-assigned arrears that were temporarily-assigned arrears while the former-assistance recipient was under the previous assignment (\$3,000); never-assigned family arrears that have accrued since the family last left assistance through October 5, 2009 (\$1,800); and additional arrears/past-due support for the last charge dates of October 9 and 16, 2009 (\$200).

The SCU performs maintenance on the CSMS account on November 9, 2009 based on the last charge date of November 6, 2009, and reactivates the DSS ledger type which includes a 21AV for the current support obligation. After the account maintenance is completed, during the CSMS month end processing on November 27, 2009, CSMS will categorize the arrears as follows:

11BV \$5,000 Under the previous assignment of support rights (prior to October 1, 2009), \$3,000 was temporarily assigned to the State and when the family left assistance became conditionally-assigned arrears. Under DRA, those conditionally-assigned arrears will remain conditionally-assigned until paid in full and will appear in the CND-ASG-ARRS field on IVDQRY. Additionally, \$2,000 in never-assigned family arrears accrued since the family left assistance (using the last charge date of October 16, 2009). Under an assignment of support rights on or after October

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1, 2009, there are no more temporary assignments of such arrears. As such, they remain due the family as never-assistance arrears and will appear in the NVR-ASG-AR field on IVDQRY.

21AV \$600 The ledger will contain the current obligation of \$100 per week, and the unpaid current support from October 23 through November 6, 2009 which totals \$30000, plus additional unpaid current support from November 9 through November 27, 2009 which totals \$300, for a total of \$600 in the NET-DUE field; accrues as permanently-assigned arrears in the PRM-ASG-ARRS field on IVDQRY.

Summary: Because the family is applying again for assistance on or after October 1, 2009, the mandatory changes to the assignment of support rights at application and the discontinuance of the “temporary assignment” of pre-assistance arrears for all assignments made on or after October 1, 2009, are effective. Any arrears which have accrued from the date that the family left the TA program under the previous assignment of support rights (prior to October 1, 2009) to the date of TA initial eligibility for assistance on October 19, 2009, remain never-assigned and are due to the family. The amount of assigned support for new applications is limited to that which accrues during the assistance period. The conditionally-assigned arrears based on the previous assignment of support rights (prior to October 1, 2009) continue to be conditionally-assigned.

The categories of arrears and their respective balances will appear on the individual ledger pages of the CSMS IVDQRY screen after the November 27, 2009 month end processing as follows:

UNAP-AST-ARR	0.00	TMP-ASG-AR	0.00	PRM-ASG-ARRS	600.00
UNAD-AST-ARR	0.00	NVR-ASG-AR	2,000.00	CND-ASG-ARRS	3,000.00