

Readopt with amendment He-W 654.02, effective 10-25-16 (Document #12015), to read as follows:**He-W 654.02 Income Computation.**

(a) In computing eligibility and benefits, if any subtraction results in a negative amount, the result shall be considered to be zero instead of the negative amount.

(b) Except where otherwise specified or specifically prohibited, eligibility and the level of benefits for FANF financial assistance shall be determined for the assistance group (AG), ~~rather than an individual basis~~, as follows:

- (1) The amount of each AG member's countable gross earned income shall be determined;
- (2) For each individual, the earned income disregard (EID), as specified in He-W 654.13, shall be computed and subtracted from gross earned income;
- (3) From the remaining amount in (2) above, the child or dependent care disregard, as specified in He-W 654.14, shall be subtracted, to obtain the individual's net earned income;
- (4) Each individual's net earned income amount shall be added together to obtain the AG's net earned income amount;
- (5) The countable gross unearned income of all AG members shall be added to the AG's net earned income described in (4) above;
- (6) From the total amount in (5) above, allowable deductions as specified in He-W 654.20 ~~and He-W 654.21~~ shall be subtracted;
- (7) The result of the computation in (6) above shall be the AG's net income;
- (8) The AG's net income shall be compared to the AG's payment standard in He-W 658.02; and
- (9) The difference between the AG's payment standard and the AG's net income shall equal the AG's monthly benefit amount.

(c) For an individual not living in a nursing facility who is applying for or receiving adult category financial assistance, and, if applicable, ~~his or her~~ the individual's applicant spouse, as defined in He-W 601.01 ~~(e)~~, net income, as defined in He-W 601.05 ~~(v)~~, shall be computed as follows:

- (1) The amount of the individual's and the individual's applicant spouse's countable gross earned income, as defined in He-W 601.04 ~~(m) (n)~~, shall be determined;
- (2) For each individual, the ~~earned income disregard (EID)~~ for the adult category under which each individual is applying or receiving assistance, as specified in He-W 654.15, shall be computed and subtracted from each individual's countable gross earned income to obtain each individual's net earned income, as defined in He-W 601.05 ~~(u)~~;
- (3) Each individual's net earned income amount shall be added together to obtain the AG's net earned income amount;
- (4) The countable gross unearned income, as defined in He-W 601.08 ~~(k)~~, of each individual shall be added to the AG's net earned income, described in (3) above;
- (5) From the total in (4) above, the adult standard disregard, as specified in He-W 654.16, and allowable deductions, as specified in He-W 654.20 ~~and He-W 654.21~~, shall be subtracted; and

(6) The result shall be the AG’s net income.

(d) For an individual not living in a nursing facility who is applying for or receiving aid to the permanently and totally disabled APTD or old age assistance OAA financial assistance, and who lives with his or her their nonapplicant spouse, as defined in He-W 601.05(~~x~~), net income, as defined in He-W 601.05(~~v~~) shall be computed as follows:

- (1) The countable gross earned incomes of the applicant and nonapplicant spouse shall be combined;
- (2) The EID, as specified in He-W 654.15(~~h~~), shall be subtracted from the combined gross earned income determined in (1) above to obtain the AG’s net earned income;
- (3) The countable gross unearned income, as defined in He-W 601.08(~~k~~), of all AG members shall be added to the AG’s net earned income amount determined in (2) above;
- (4) From the total in (3) above, the adult standard disregard, as specified in He-W 654.16, and allowable deductions, as specified in He-W 654.20 and ~~He-W 654.21~~, shall be subtracted; and
- (5) The result shall be the AG’s net income.

(e) For an individual not living in a nursing facility who is applying for or receiving aid to the needy blind ANB financial assistance who lives with his or her their nonapplicant spouse as defined in He-W 601.05(~~x~~), net income, as defined in He-W 601.05(~~v~~), shall be computed as follows:

- (1) The countable gross earned incomes of the applicant and nonapplicant spouse shall be combined;
- (2) The EID, as specified in He-W 654.15(~~e~~), ~~including additional employment related amounts as described in He-W 654.15(d), if applicable~~, shall be subtracted from the combined gross earned income determined in (1) above, to obtain the AG’s net earned income;
- (3) The countable gross unearned income, as defined in He-W 601.08(~~k~~), of all AG members shall be added to the AG’s net earned income amount determined in (2) above;
- (4) From the total in (3) above, the adult standard disregard, as specified in He-W 654.16, and allowable deductions, as specified in He-W 654.20 and ~~He-W 654.21~~, shall be subtracted; and
- (5) The result shall be the AG’s net income.

APPENDIX

Rule	Specific State or Federal Statute or Regulations the Rule Implements
He-W 654.02	RSA 167:3-c, I & IX; RSA 167:4, I(a); RSA 167:78, XVII; RSA 167:80, I & IV(i); RSA 167:82, VII; RSA 167:83, II(e); 45 CFR 233.20(a)(2)(iv); 45 CFR 233.20(a)(3)(ii)(B); and 45 CFR 233.20(a)(6)