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Re: Cross Programs: Refugee Assistance Payments

#### Overview

Refugees and other qualifying noncitizens present in the US could be eligible for cash assistance payments administered by the Office for Refugees and Immigrants (ORI) and by refugee resettlement agencies if they meet certain eligibility requirements. Some of these payments are recurring while some are one-time, nonrecurring payments.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this Online Guide Transmittal is to advise staff of the various programs that provide assistance payments to refugees and other qualifying noncitizens, and how the income it is to be treated with respect to Department programs and BEACON.

# New Online Guide Page

**Topic:** Refugee Assistance Payments

**Book:** Cross Program Page: Unearned Income

### Questions

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