

Pending and Entering Income Trust

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OVERVIEW

This document provides a step-by-step guide for how to pend for and enter an Income Trust, as it relates to Long-Term Care. The steps to take when addressing Income Trusts are dependent on which phase the applicant is on:

Phase 1: No Trust has been established. Income Trust Packet is auto-generated to the Member and is pending return.

Phase 2: Member has returned the completed Income Trust Packet and it is sent to HCPF for approval.

Phase 3: The Income Trust has been approved by HCPF.

PROCESS

- 1. Log into CBMS
- 2. Navigate to the Case by entering the Case Number in the **Global Search** bar on the Home Page
- 3. Click on Case Number in the results table to access the Members page
- 4. From the Members page, hover over the Actions button
- 5. Select Begin Interactive Interview to initiate the II queue
- 6. Navigate to the **Income** page
- 7. Enter all income reported and verified by the Member
- 8. Click Save

- 9. Run EDBC
 - a. LTC will be Pending with a Primary reason of "Income Trust setup required to pass the client"

Phase 1: CBMS has the logic to read pending Long-Term Care cases and automatically generates the Income Trust Packet for members that have income above 300% of the current SSI limit

To verify the packet is being generated to the Member:

- 1. Navigate to the Additional Information page
 - a. Confirm all of the information for the Income Trust Packet is populated including the **Date Given**
 - i. **Date Signed** and **Date Returned** will not be populated and should not be updated by you until the packet is received back from the Member
 - b. This Income Trust packet will be generated through CBMS and contains a due date along with directions for the Member (there will not be an additional VCL)
 - c. Full Trust Packet may be viewed in Follow up Activities > Correspondence in the Print Queue

Phase 2: Complete when the Income Trust Packet has been received back from the Member

- 1. Navigate to the Income tab
- 2. From the Name drop-down, select the person with the Income
- 3. Select the appropriate Income Type
- 4. Highlight the income requiring the Income Trust to populate the related pages
- 5. Click on the Transfer of Income related list
- 6. Click the plus (+) sign in the blue detail header

- 7. Select the appropriate name from the Name of Transfer Recipient drop-down (the Member whose income is going into the Income Trust)
- 8. Enter the Amount Transferred
 - a. For HCBS: Use the difference between the total income the member receives and 300% current year's SSI
 - b. For NF: Use the Total Income
- 9. Select 'Income Trust Pending with HCPF' from the Reason drop-down
- 10. Select 'Received' from the Verification drop-down menu
- 11. Source should remain 'Client Statement'
- 12. Navigate to the Additional Information page
- 13. Click on the pencil icon to edit/add details
- 14. Enter the Date Signed
 - a. This is the date the Member signed the packet
- 15. Enter the Date Returned
 - a. This is the date the packet was returned to the agency
- 16. Run EDBC
 - a. Wrap-up will show the program in **MA Individual Eligibility** as pending for the following reasons:
 - i. "Pending Approval in the Income Trust"

Forward documents with Trust Transmittal Form to the Trust Unit. Do not delay!

Phase 3: Enter the Income Trust approval from HCPF

- 1. Navigate to the Transfer of Income related list
- 2. Click on the pencil icon to edit/add details
- 3. Update Reason to 'Income Trust approved by HCPF'
- 4. The Verification remains Received

- 5. Select 'HCPF Trust Officer' from the Source drop-down menu
- 6. Once the Income Trust is established, the Trust account should be entered as a liquid Asset (not available and exempt) for tracking purposes at RRR
 - a. Refer to the *Entering Trusts as a Resource in CBMS process manual* since an approved income trust must be entered as a resource as well for accounting purposes
- 7. Run EDBC to ensure the case is no longer pending Income Trust approval

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