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Advice for Decision Making

Amended Chapters for June 2020

A1: Principles of Decision Making and Evidence

The changes enhance the guidance on evidence by adding paragraphs on “Relationship breakdown” (A1322) and “Contacting third parties” (A1323) as well as making some consequential amendments.

A2: Claims

Guidance on “Making a claim for UC” expanded at A2028 & A2029; various amendments and corrections made to cross references.

E2: Benefit unit, awards and maximum amount

Definition of a couple amended at E2003 (SI 2019/1458), minor amends made to some cross referencing and ‘Note’ added at E2016 for clarity.

E5: Benefit cap

Makes a minor amendment to the Example at E5051.

F1: Child Element

Amounts for child element and disabled child addition amended at F1110 and F1123, following up-rating.

F2: Housing costs element – general conditions

Minor amends made to some cross referencing.

F3: Housing Costs Element: Support for renters

Note added to F3112 to make clear transgender children won’t be allocated an additional bedroom; Up-rating memo ADM 3/20 incorporated at F3140; F3234 amended to make clear there is no time limit for this exception to apply; ADM 14/17 incorporated at new para at F3252.

H1: Capital

Paragraph on “Capital outside of the UK” amended and renumbered as H1603.

L2: Social Fund - Sure Start Maternity grant

Makes a minor amendment to wording of L2036 to reflect change in the definition of a “couple”.

L3: Social Fund - Funeral Payments

Paragraph L3282 is amended to reflect the fact that the amount for “other funeral expenses” has increased from £700 to £1000 for deaths occurring on or after 8.4.20.

S4: JSA Sanctions – General principles

Incorporates ADM memo 19/19, adds a note to S4030 “Maximum reduction period” and adds guidance on “The public law principles of fairness” at S4081 and S4082.

S5: JSA Higher-level sanctions

Incorporates ADM memo 19/19 (paragraphs S5006 to S5011 refer).