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Becca, Swati asked that the below Guantanamo info be included in today's staff notes. Thanks!

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**SNAP and Able Bodied Adults without Dependents (ABAWDs) Waiver:**

DSS is currently operating the SNAP ABAWD program subject to a federal waiver which will expire on December 31, 2015. Although DSS is running an employment and training program, this waiver allows DSS to effectively not track ABAWDs 9 months out of the year.

DEW and DSS are working to transfer the ABAWD Employment and Training Program to DEW, which would help DSS to manage SNAP without any federal waivers. Unfortunately, the storm and subsequent D-SNAP implementation significantly delayed progress on both of these items, and the November 30<sup>th</sup> deadline for transfer may be unattainable given the need for USDA to review, provide for edits, and approve a plan that would take effect January 1. In lieu of submitting a longer waiver, DSS has confirmed that they can apply for a short-term (3-month) waiver that would push implementation to April 1, 2016, but still see termination of the waiver and a fully implemented E&T program in Q2, 2016.

**Guantanamo Bay Detainees, FY16 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)**

Today, Congress passed the FY16 NDAA, reauthorizing the ban on transferring Guantanamo Bay detainees to the U.S., and the ban on modify or constructing facilities in the U.S. to house them. The bill passed with a veto proof majority in both the House (370-58) and the Senate (91-3). A Pentagon report laying out a plan for how the Obama Administration would close the Guantanamo Bay detention facility is still expected to be sent to Congress as early as later this week.

Thanks.

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