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DAUPHIN COUNTY MH/A/DP PROGRAM HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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Title: HAP Rental Assistance for Subsidized/Section 8 Housing

<u>Policy</u>: Dauphin County does **not** allow financial assistance for rental arrears of clients living in Subsidized/Section 8 housing.

Definitions:

First Month Rent: money given to a landlord, typically prior to move-in, that is intended to cover the first month the client will take possession of the unit.

HAP Client: any individual/household that has been deemed eligible for HAP services and enrolled in a program.

HAP Providers: all providers/agencies that are under contract with Dauphin County to provide HAP services.

Rental Arrears: money that is past due and owed to the landlord/property owner.

Security Deposit: money that is provided to the landlord in advance of a client moving into a rental unit as a means of reserving the unit for the client and can be used toward any damages beyond wear and tear when client vacates the unit.

Procedure:

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- 1. A HAP Client who applies for assistance with rental arrears and is determined to be currently living in housing that is subsidized by other federal resources will not be eligible for assistance.
- 2. A HAP client who requests assistance with security deposit and/or first month rent to move into subsidized housing shall be considered eligible for assistance.