

## THE MCBOSS BUZZ



# What's New – What's Now – What's Happening In addition, how it affects you!

#### **Mercer County Board of Social Services Child Support and Paternity Program**

The purpose of the Mercer County Board of Social Services Child Support and Paternity Program is to establish and enforce the support obligation owed by Non-Custodial Parents. All residents of Mercer County are entitled to receive services from the Child Support and Paternity Program. Families who receive WFNJ TANF benefits are generally required to cooperate in establishing paternity and obtaining child support. Our staff is committed to improving the establishment of child support and paternity for all families of Mercer County. If your Mercer County child support order is three years old, you may request a review. Notices are generated to both parties and either party may request a review. If our review finds that your current support order is 20% below the state guidelines, we will complete an upward modification on your behalf. Those families, who are eligible and use our services, can request location services and some TANF families avoid paying legal fees related to establishing paternity, child support and modifications. For more information about the MCBOSS Child Support and Paternity Program call us toll free at 1-(800) 564-1595 or email us at mcboss@mcboss.org.



### State Central Registry (SCR) New Jersey's Child Abuse Reporting Hotline Every Person in the State of New Jersey is a Mandated Reporter:



The SCR receives all statewide reports of Child Abuse/Neglect or a need for Child Welfare Services 24-hours a day, 7-days a week. State law (N.J.S.A. 9:6-8.10), requires "Any person having reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to child abuse or acts of child abuse shall report the same immediately...by telephone or otherwise.

#### Not Sure if a Child has been Abused and/or Neglected?

Call the Child Abuse Hotline and they will help determine if the situation is child abuse or neglect. By law (N.J.S.A.9:6-8.13), you are protected from civil or criminal liability, discharge from employment, and discrimination, if you make a report in good faith.

Child Abuse Does not Report Itself...Make the Call, Help a Child! (877) NJ ABUSE - (877) 652-2873

### Mercer County Board of Social Services Jersey Assistance for Community Caregiving & NJ State Respite Care Programs

The Jersey Assistance for Community Caregiving Program (JACC) provides various in-home services to enable an individual to remain in his or her community home. JACC participants must be age 60 or over, require a nursing home level of care, as determined by a clinical eligibility assessment, and meet financial guidelines. Care management from the Mercer County Board of Social Services is included. There is monthly co-pay, based on income. To apply, call the Mercer County Office on Aging at 609-989-6661.

The NJ State Respite Care Program provides short-term or periodic breaks to family (or other caregivers) from the demands of daily care for functionally impaired persons, including the frail elderly. The sliding scale ranges from 0% to 25% of the cost of services, based on the care recipient's (and spouse's) income. This program provides respite care services in order to relieve caregivers of stress from providing daily care. This respite may be provided for a short time, or once in a while. For example, services could be provided to: Allow the caregiver to take a vacation, cover care when a caregiver needs surgery or has an emergency and give the caregiver time to take care of him/herself, run errands, etc. For more information call us toll free at 1-(800) 564-1595, visit <a href="www.mcboss.org">www.mcboss.org</a> or email us at <a href="mcboss@mcboss.org">mcboss.org</a>.

#### **Mercer County Board of Social Services Emergency Assistance Program**

Our Social Service staff works with individuals/families who are eligible for WFNJ TANF, WFNJ GA, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or have a limited income. Emphasis is placed on social rehabilitation, crisis intervention and problem solving. *The Emergency Assistance Program* provides assistance to prevent homelessness to recipients of WFNJ TANF, WFNJ GA and SSI. Benefits include, but are not limited to: essential food, clothing, shelter and household furnishings; temporary rental assistance or back rent or mortgage payments; utility payments (such as heat, water, and electric); transportation to search for housing; and moving expenses. For more information call us toll free at 1-(800) 564-1595 or visit us at <a href="https://www.mcboss.org">www.mcboss.org</a>.

**Mercer County Board of Social Services Spring 2019** 

#### **CONTACT NUMBERS**

**Consumer Information-All Programs** 

(609) 989-4320

**Adult Protective Services &** 

**Adult Social Services** 

(609) 989-4346 or (609) 989-4347

**Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator** 

(609) 656-6301

**Child Support-General Information** 

1-(877) NJKIDS1 (1-877-655-4371)

Emergency Assistance, Family Planning & Early Periodic Screening and Treatment Programs

(609) 989-4451



**Homeless Hotline** 

(609) 468-8296

Fraud Tip Line

(609) 989-4400

Work First NJ Case Management Unit

(609) 989-6248

**Toll Free Information-All Programs** 

1-(800) 564-1595

Fax (609) 394-6638

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

E-MAIL INQUIRY:

Email inquiries may be directed to mcboss@mcboss.org

ADDRESS:

Mercer County Board of Social Services 200 Woolverton Street P.O. Box 1450 Trenton, NJ 08650-2099

#### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

Monday and Wednesday through Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

#### **NEW JERSEY EBT CARD WEBSITE**

HTTP://WWW.EBT.ACS-INC.COM

NEED TO CONTACT YOUR HMO? AMERIGROUP 1 (800) 600-4441, UNITED HEALTHCARE 1 (800) 941-4647, HORIZON 1 (877) 765-4325,

WELLCARE 1 (888) 453-3534



### New Jersey Medicaid Increases Access to Opioid Addiction Treatment

In 2018, more than 3,000 individuals in New Jersey died due to overdose. On April 1, 2019 the New Jersey Department of Human Services announced NJ Medicaid plans would no longer require prior authorization before patients can access medication-assisted treatment for opioid addiction — removing this barrier will allow Medicaid recipients to get quicker access to proven treatment. NJ Medicaid (NJ Familycare) recipients can now receive treatment for opioid addiction as soon as their health care provider prescribes it. Eliminating obstacles to opioid addiction treatment everywhere they exist and increasing health care providers offering this critical treatment, will help individuals and families for whom this care is a matter of life or death.

NJ Medicaid (NJ Familycare) is a state and federally funded health coverage program for low-to moderate-income adults and children. NJ Familycare provides health coverage for children, pregnant women, parents/caretaker relatives, single adults, childless couples, the aged, blind, disabled, and individuals qualified for long-term care services.

Residents of Mercer County can apply for NJ Medicaid (NJ Familycare) at Mercer County Board of Social Services (609-989-4320, Menu Option 1, 2) or at one of our outstation locations:

- Capital Health Regional Medical Center
   750 Brunswick Avenue
   Trenton, NJ 08638
   609-394-6000, Menu Option 6 for Operator, Ext. 2129
   Monday, Wednesday and Friday
- Capital Health Medical Center Hopewell One Capital Way
   Pennington, NJ 08534
   609-303-4259
   Tuesday and Thursday
- Henry J. Austin Health Center -Trenton 321 North Warren Street Trenton, NJ 08618 609-278-5936 Monday through Friday



CALL (609) 656-6301

# ATTENTION TANF RECIPIENTS "ROADS TO SUCCESS" TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE

CALL (609) 656-6301

CAR REPAIR: Qualified participants that have a car in need of repairs

may be eligible to receive assistance.

<u>DRIVER'S LICENSE</u>: Qualified participants who never had a valid license will receive assistance in obtaining one.

**BUS/RAIL PASSES**: Qualified participants not eligible for passes under other programs may be eligible.

<u>RESTORATIONS</u>: Qualified participants may be eligible for assistance with fines and fees.

<u>INSURANCE</u>: Qualified participants that do not have automobile insurance may be eligible for assistance.

TRANSPORTATION: Qualified participants may be eligible for emergency transportation to a work activity or work.



Spring 2019 Holiday Schedule
MCBOSS will be <u>closed</u> on Monday, May 27, 2019
For more information, please call 1(800) 564-1595