ASPIRE – General Policy III

1. When a client receives a check from ASPIRE in excess of the amount due, he/she does not have to pay it back because it was an agency error.
   False
   Ref: ASPIRE Manual, Section 4, VIII, A-E

2. A client who receives Social Security Disability does not need to participate in ASPIRE.
   True

3. When an ASPIRE client goes to work full time, his/her earnings close the TANF case. The client then pays separately for ongoing MaineCare coverage.
   False
   When a client loses TANF eligibility because of earnings, Eligibility staff re-determine eligibility for medical assistance for each family member.
   Ref: Maine Public Assistance Manual, Chapter V, p. 4

4. Mary Jones is an ASPIRE client who is involved with OCFS. She asked you for an exemption from participation in Job Club. Mary has court mandated parent education, family counseling, child counseling, and substance abuse counseling. All of these appointments will take up most of the day, three days a week. You can grant good cause for Mary’s non-participation while she is attending counseling.
   True
   Ref: ASPIRE Manual, Section 4, III, A&B

5. Barry Adams requests auto repair money to fix his brother’s car which Barry uses to get to his job. The ASPIRE Specialist can pay to fix this car since Barry states that he is the sole driver.
   False
   Ref: ASPIRE Manual, Section 14, II, C1

6. A childcare provider who had previously cleared a background check is now identified as “protective.” The provider should be paid for prior approved services rendered before the change in status.
   True
   Ref: ASPIRE Manual, Section 14, IV
7. ASPIRE pays for childcare services rendered while waiting for a provider’s background check to clear.
   False
   Ref: ASPIRE Manual, Section 14, II, A

8. When an ASPIRE client goes to work full time, his/her earnings will close the TANF case. He/she needs to request transitional childcare.
   True
   Ref: Maine Public Assistance Manual, Chapter V, p. 2