

2018 Federal Poverty Guidelines

Size of Family Unit	Annual Poverty Guidelines
1	\$12,140
2	\$16,460
3	\$20,780
4	\$25,100
5	\$29,420
6	\$33,740
7	\$38,060
8	\$42,380
Additional Person	\$ 4,320

PROGRAM IMPLICATIONS

TA Applicants

Effective June 1, 2018, to determine an applicant's eligibility for TA, workers must use ABEL Disregard Indicator code "1-If Eligible, Give Disregard", unless the applicant has received TA for any one of the four months preceding the date of the current application. If the applicant has received TA for any one of the four months preceding the date of the current application, workers must use ABEL Disregard Indicator code "2-Calculate with Disregard".

If an applicant is determined eligible for TA using ABEL Disregard Indicator code "1-If Eligible, Give Disregard", the code must be manually changed to "2-Calculate with Disregard".

TA Recipients

Effective June 1, 2018, a recipient's continuing eligibility for TA must be determined with the application of the 52% EID.

The 52% EID and the new poverty levels for the Poverty Level Income Test migrate on April 15, 2018, for budgets with the "Budget From" dates of June 1, 2018 or later. A mass re-budgeting/reauthorization (MRB/A) will be run the weekend of April 14, 2018 (Initial Phase), and the weekend of April 21, 2018 (Final Phase); automatically re-budgeted cases with earned income will see the EID change from 51% to 52%.

The MRB/A will also generate and send CNS notices to the affected cases. Cases listed as exceptions during the Initial Phase of the mass re-budgeting will be included in the Final Phase of the mass re-budgeting if their exceptions are resolved prior to the Final Phase. Otherwise, these cases will need to be manually re-budgeted by the district, with appropriate client notifications sent.

SNAP Implications

SNAP benefits must be re-budgeted with the increase in available TA income due to the increase in the TA EID. TA/SNAP cases that are mass re-budgeted will have their SNAP benefits adjusted automatically.

SNAP households continue to receive a 20% earned income disregard from their gross earned income. Please note that the Federal Poverty Limit Guidelines do not change for the SNAP Program on June 1, 2018. SNAP Poverty Limit changes will be adjusted October 1, 2018, as usual.

Medicaid Implications

There are no Medicaid implications.