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This page notifies staff and the public of changes to the Cash and Nutrition Assistance Policy (CNAP) Manual regarding policy, procedures, and forms. Reminders and general information may also be displayed on this page. Prior What's Changed pages are listed in [What's Changed History](#) of the CNAP Manual.

The above list summarizes the information on this page. Each item listed above links to the corresponding section below.

The information on this page must be discussed during the weekly [policy dissemination](#) in every office which determines eligibility, reviews eligibility, or answers questions regarding eligibility. ([Current week's FAA-1215A](#))

Change: Afghan Humanitarian Parolees

EFFECTIVE DATE: Policy has been clarified as of 11/21/2022

The following change was made to inform staff that the period in which Afghan parolees are eligible for NA and CA benefits has been extended.

Previously, certain Afghan Special Immigrant (SI), and Non-SI Parolees and Afghan Unaccompanied Minors were eligible for NA and CA benefits without a waiting period when paroled between 07/31/2021 and 09/30/2022.

The passage of recent legislation has extended eligibility for Afghan citizens or nationals paroled between 07/31/2021 and 12/16/2022. Benefits are effective 09/30/2021 until 03/31/2023 or until the end of their parole term, whichever is later.

Please review the Afghan SI Parolees and Non-SI Parolees policy at FAA3.D06B, titled Qualified Noncitizens for qualifying Class of Admissions (COA) codes.

The FAA refugee office must process all refugee cases, including Afghan parolee cases, during the refugees' first 12 months in the United States (U.S.). When it is discovered that an application of a refugee is submitted through HEAplus or to an FAA office other than a Refugee Office, transfer the application and any supporting documents to the appropriate FAA Refugee Office within one workday. Please see FAA2.D03, titled Refugee Resettlement Program (RRP) Referrals for detailed instructions.

When a refugee case is already registered in AZTECS, ensure the site code on CARC is one of the following:

- 285 – Applications received in Pima County

- 169 – Applications received in all other counties

Policy reference(s) revised due to this change:

FAA3.D06B – [Qualified Noncitizens](#)

[Prior Policy](#)

Updated the eligibility period for Afghan parolees. (Policy was clarified as of 11/21/2022)

Change: Noncitizens Sponsored by Groups or Organizations

EFFECTIVE DATE: For eligibility determinations completed on or after 11/21/2022

The CNAP Manual has been updated to provide clarification on policy for noncitizens sponsored by groups or organizations.

A noncitizen who became a Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR) on or after 12/19/1997 may have a sponsor, depending on their Class of Admission (COA) Code. Sponsored LPRs are usually sponsored by an individual, rather than a group or organization.

As a condition for their admission for permanent residence in the United States (U.S.), the LPR's sponsor is required to complete and sign an Affidavit of Support (I-1864 or I-864A). Affidavits of Support are legally binding contracts accepted by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) as the sponsor's agreement to financially support the noncitizen.

Group sponsorship does not disqualify the LPR from receiving NA or CA benefits.

NOTE Sponsored LPR policy does not apply to any LPR who applied or became an LPR before 12/19/1997, including those sponsored by individuals.

The affidavit is only signed by individuals, not organizations or groups. Therefore, sponsored deemed income cannot be determined for an LPR sponsored by a group.

Please see FAA3.D06C.01, titled Sponsored and Non-Sponsored LPRs for more information about noncitizen sponsorship.

Policy reference(s) revised due to this change:

FAA2.A09 – [Disqualified Participants](#)

[Prior Policy](#)

Removed the policy indicating that noncitizens sponsored by a group or organization are disqualified from receiving Cash Assistance. (Effective for eligibility determinations made on or after 11/21/2022)

FAA3.D06C.01 – [Sponsored and Non-sponsored LPRs](#)

[Prior Policy](#)

Added clarification on noncitizens sponsored by a group or organization. (Effective for eligibility determinations made on or after 11/21/2022)

General Information: Forms Update

Changes to Forms – 11/12/2022 through 11/18/2022

As a reminder, it is important not to save documents on your desktop or a folder. It is better to use the form you need directly from the [Document Center](#). Forms are frequently updated and sometimes the current form must be used for programming purposes.

Revised forms:

- No forms were revised during the specified period

Newly created forms:

- No forms were created during the specified period

Revised Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

- No revisions to marketing materials were made during the specified period

New Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

- No new marketing materials were created during the specified period

Forms Archived from the Document Center

- No forms were archived from the Document Center