.06 Treatment Center Disqualifications

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PST Specialists: When anything changes in this section, review The Institution Determination Checklist (FAA-1557) form for changes.

A treatment center organization or institution may be penalized or disqualified when any of the following is discovered:

- NA benefits are misappropriated administratively or judicially.
- Benefits are used for purchases that do not contribute to a resident participant's meals.
- The center fails to provide semi-monthly reports (<u>FAA-0620A</u>) that identify the proper use of benefits.

Alert the supervisor to any center suspected of misappropriating a participant's benefits. The following must occur:

- The supervisor forwards a written report of the findings to the Local Office Manager (LOM), or when necessary, the Region Program Manager (PM).
- The LOM forwards a written report to the PM.
- The PM forwards a written report to the Program Administrator (PA). The report identifies the issues found leading to the disqualification request.
- The PA promptly notifies <u>FNS</u> when there is reason to believe that an organization or institution has misused benefits in its possession.
- DES must have FNS approval to impose penalties or disqualification.

When FNS disqualifies an organization or institution, DES suspends its NA representative status for the same period.

Residents of disqualified institutions are ineligible to receive NA benefits during the period of disqualification. In this situation, the following apply:

- No <u>NOAA</u> is required.
- Deny or close the case using the RI Denial or Closure Reason Code.
- Send the <u>F200 notice</u> informing the residents of the determination and the effective date of the closure.

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Region Office must ensure the disqualified treatment centers or institutions are removed from the HEAplus Institution List. (See <u>Maintaining Institutions in HEAplus</u>.)

