.02 LIBL Hardship Extension Eligibility - Disability

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Disability:

A disability is a medical condition that prevents a participant from working or engaging in work activities. A disability is based on physical and mental impairments and may include persons receiving mental health or substance abuse treatment.

- Temporary Disability is a medical condition that is expected to continue for more than 30 days, but less than 12 months, from the date of the request for a hardship extension.
- Permanent Disability is a medical condition that has lasted or will last for at least 12 months from the date of the request for a hardship extension, or result in death.

WARNING

Disabled Dependent Child

When the disabled participant is a dependent child, ALL of the following apply:

- The adult participant must be the caretaker of the disabled child
- The budgetary unit cannot receive <u>respite care(g)</u> for more than 20 hours per week
- The disabled child cannot attend school or vocational rehabilitation for more than 20 hours per week.
- No other person is available to provide care for the disabled child.

NOTE Determine whether the participant is receiving or has applied for other assistance based on disability (See Referral for Other Benefits)

Verification:

Verification must be provided that supports the disability determination. (See <u>LIBL Extension – Disability Verification</u>)

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Deferred from Jobs Program for Disability:

A budgetary unit may be eligible for an LIBL hardship extension when a mandatory Jobs participant was deferred from participation in the Jobs Program in any month between October 1, 2002 and June 30, 2007, due to a disability. In this situation, both of the following apply:

- The budgetary unit is eligible for an LIBL hardship extension equal to the number of months the participant was deferred from participation in the Jobs Program between October 1, 2002 and June 30, 2007, for a disability
- When the number of LIBL hardship extension months is less than six months for this reason, additional LIBL hardship extension months may be granted based on other LIBL hardship extension reasons