## J TPEP Work Program Exemptions

REVISION 39 (12/01/15 -01/31/16)

Determine the exempt status of each Two Parent Employment Program (TPEP) parent for new applications, at renewal, and when requested by Jobs program staff.

The following participants are exempt:

 A parent under age 18, or a parent age 18 and a student that expects to complete school before reaching age 19.

Key AG in the PAR/EXEM field next to the eligible participant on WORW.

## **EXCEPTION**

A minor who is the head of household or the <a href="mailto:spouse(g)">spouse(g)</a> of the head of household is not exempt. Key RM in the PAR/EXEM field on WORW.

 Enrolled tribal members living within the geographic area defined by the tribe as its Jobs Work Program area. (See <u>Tribal NEW</u>)

Key RT in the PAR/EXEM field on WORW.

 A participant who is working an average of 30 hours or more per week in <u>unsubsidized employment(g)</u>. The employment must pay at least minimum wage and last at least 30 days.

Key EM in the PAR/EXEM field on WORW.

The exemption continues when there is a break in employment expected to last no longer than ten <a href="workdays(g)">workdays(g)</a>. When a break in employment exists the following apply:

- Request the verification to support that the break in employment will not be longer than ten workdays.
- Redetermine the participant's exempt status when they have not returned to work after ten days.
- Explain to the participant that they can volunteer to participate in the Jobs Program.
- When the participant volunteers to participate, key Y in the VOL field on WORW.