

A TPEP Eligibility Requirements

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Use the following guidelines to determine TPEP eligibility:

- Both parents must be in the home, not disabled, and have a child in common.
- Both parents must meet the [Citizenship or Qualified Noncitizen](#) requirements.
- Establish relationship of the children in common to both parents. (See [Establishing Relationship](#))
- Determine the [Primary Wage Earner](#) (PWE),
The PWE must be unemployed or underemployed. (See [PWE Unemployment Criteria](#))
The PWE must not have refused an actual offer of employment, or training for employment, in the 30 days before the date of application. The only EXCEPTION is when good cause has been established. (See [Good Cause for Job Refusal](#))
- Refer anyone who may be eligible for other potential benefits. (See [Referral for Other Benefits](#))
- Determine whether the potential TPEP eligible participants have received six months of TPEP benefits within the previous 12 month period in the state of Arizona. The 12 month period ends in and includes the first benefit month. (See [Six Month TPEP Limit](#))
When they have not received six months of TPEP benefits during the defined period, the participants may be eligible. (Review AFIH to determine how many months of TPEP have been received during the defined period.)
- Both parents must participate in work program activities before receiving benefits. All participants are TPEP ineligible when failure to participate occurs, unless the parents are exempt or have good cause. (See [TPEP Work Program](#))
- A parent must comply with DCSS requirements before TPEP approval when there is a child in the budgetary unit from a previous relationship. (See [New CA Participants - DCSS](#))