

## 05 Grant Diversion - Overview

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Grant Diversion (GD) is one nonrecurring payment of three months of CA that can be received ONLY once in a four month period. The GD period covers the first eligible month and the following two months. Participants do not apply for GD. CA budgetary units are potentially eligible for GD when they meet all the following:

- They are eligible for at least \$1 of CA in the application month or the following month.

NOTE A CA application may be prorated into the third month, but would be untimely if determination is made beyond the 45th day.

- An adult is included in the benefit amount (keyed “IN” on SEPA).
- They did not receive CA in the month of application.
- The month prior to the application month does not include a month from a previous GD period. (See Examples [GD Eligibility 4](#) and [GD Eligibility 5](#))

NOTE When the application is prorated to a future month the applicant may be eligible.

See [CA New Application Time Frames](#) for the legally required GD time frames.

The following apply to the GD option:

- The payment is NOT COUNTABLE unearned income for NA and MA.
- The purpose of the GD payment is to divert the CA applicant from ongoing CA when the applicant is likely to gain full-time employment within 90 days.
- GD participants are an NA [Basic categorically eligible](#) budgetary unit for the three month Grant Diversion approval period.

NOTE When the three month GD approval period ends, the budgetary unit is no longer a Basic categorically eligible budgetary unit. When the budgetary unit is determined to be eligible for ongoing NA benefits, [Expanded categorical eligibility](#) may apply.

- All CA applicants that are eligible for at least \$1 and identified as TPEP budgetary units must be processed as potentially eligible for GD.
- GD months are not countable towards the [Lifetime Benefit Limit](#).
- The CA Family Benefit Cap Period (CA FBCP) applies to GD.
- GD participants are exempt from:
  - [DCSE cooperation](#)
  - The referral process for the [JOBS Program Preliminary Orientation \(JPPO\)](#)
  - The three day TPEP participation
  - Signing the Personal Responsibility Agreement

Policy and procedures regarding GD are outlined as follows:

- [Grant Diversion Eligibility Requirements](#)
- [Grant Diversion Process](#)
- [Grant Diversion Time Frames](#)
- [Grant Diversion Keying Procedures](#)
- [Budgeting Grant Diversion Payments](#)
- [Authorizing the Grant Diversion payment](#)
- [Need Standards Overview](#)
- [Transitional Child Care \(TCC\) Eligibility](#)
- [CA Employed Child Care](#)
- [Grant Diversion Changes](#)