04 Nutrition Assistance Categorical Eligibility - Overview

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When a budgetary unit is NA categorically eligible, all participants that are included and eligible to receive NA in the budgetary unit are categorically eligible.

Categorically eligible budgetary units include either of the following:

- Basic categorically eligible participants
- Expanded categorically eligible participants

AZTECS displays the indicated NA Case Type Code in the HH TYPE field on FSAD in the following situations:

 BCE, when the NA budgetary unit fails the gross and net income test, and is determined to be an NA Basic categorical eligibility case.

NOTE BC displays in the TYPE field on CAP2.

 ECE, when the NA budgetary unit fails the resource or net test, but their gross income does not exceed 185% of the current federal poverty level (FPL), and is determined to be an NA Expanded categorical eligibility case.

NOTE EC displays in the TYPE field on CAP2.

A budgetary unit is not categorically eligible (Basic or Expanded) when any of the NA Categorically Eligible Exceptions apply.

Policy and procedures regarding NA categorical eligibility are outlined as follows:

- Basic Categorical Eligibility
- Expanded Categorical Eligibility
- Resources of Categorically Eligible Participants
- Categorical Eligibility Benefit Calculation
- <u>Nutrition Assistance Categorical Eligibility Exceptions</u>
- No Pay Status
- Categorical Eligibility Verification
- Changes in Categorical Eligibility