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FAA staff must complete the following on the day the hearing request is received in the local office:

- Date stamp the hearing request.
- Log the pertinent information on the Hearing Request Record (FA-501).
- Record verbal requests in writing by completing the Hearing Request (FA-100) form.
- Assign the request to a supervisor or designated EI the same day the request is received by using the <u>Free Form Alerts</u>.
- Conduct the conference on the same day the hearing request is received, when the hearing is requested by the appellant verbally in the local office. (See <u>Preparing for the Pre-hearing</u> <u>Conference</u> and <u>Participant Review of Case</u>)

In addition to the above, FAA staff is also required to complete the following:

- Provide the appellant or representative with the phone number and address of any legal services available.
- Upon request, provide the appellant or representative a copy of materials needed to prepare for the hearing, including copies of pertinent documents in the <u>case file(g)</u>.
  - NOTE When an appeal is filed by a hospital acting as a representative, FAX the hospital's attorney the following information:
    - AZTECS screen prints of budget calculation
    - Income screen prints
    - Notice screen prints
    - Any documentation in CADO or the CADO Extension Form (CEF) that relates to the eligibility decision that was appealed

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- Advise the appellant or representative of the right to request a continuation of benefits.
- Schedule a pre-hearing conference. (See <u>Pre-hearing</u> <u>Scheduling</u>)
- Conduct a pre-hearing conference. (See <u>Conducting the Pre-hearing Conference</u>)
- Authorize and <u>arrange medical exams</u> when required for the CA determination and requested by the <u>Office of Appeals</u>.
- Send the General Medical Evaluation (FA-193) form to the physician.
- Forward the completed FA-193 along with any medical reports to the Office of Appeals when it is returned.
- Determine whether an interpreter or alternative form of communication is needed.
- Notify the following of the time, date and place of the fair hearing when they were involved in the action:

Office of Special Investigations

<u>AHCCCS Fraud Prevention Unit</u> (AFPU) in Maricopa and Pima counties only

Jobs case manager for appeals arising from a Jobs sanction

## WARNING

DO NOT copy and provide to the appellant or representative, materials that cannot be introduced in the hearing process. (See <u>Conducting Hearings</u>) The information that cannot be introduced in the hearing process include, but are not limited to the following:

- Confidential information received from any source that provides information about the appellant without the appellant's knowledge.
- IRS reports.
- Medical information considered to be psychologically harmful to the appellant or participants in the appellant's budgetary unit as deemed by a physician.