

07 *Effective Date - Overview*

The date an [identifiable application](#) is turned in to any FAA office is the effective date of the application. The local office must date stamp the date of receipt on the application. (See [Application Received Date](#))

An application may be received from a source other than FAA. When this occurs, the effective date of the application varies depending on the entity that referred the application. (See [Referred Application](#))

An incarcerated applicant may apply for benefits in either the month of or the month before they are released from jail or prison. Eligibility for benefits cannot begin before the release date.

When a participant decides to apply for additional programs during the interview, the interview date is used as the effective date for the additional programs.

EXCEPTION

A participant may request additional programs during a telephone interview or [Customer Contact](#). When this occurs, inform the participant that the effective date for the additional programs is the date the completed application is returned.

When completing a telephone interview or Customer Contact for Health-e-Arizona applications see [One-e-App Health-e-Arizona](#) and [Health-e-Arizona Process](#) policy, as applicable.

Complete the following:

- Have the applicant mark the additional program boxes on the front of the application. The applicant must also initial and write the interview date next to the program boxes marked.
- Use the interview date as the effective date of application for the additional programs when adding the programs to the case on APMA.