

## **.01 Adding Formerly Nonqualified Noncitizens to Active Case**

A nonqualified noncitizen's status may change to a [qualified noncitizen](#). This may be due to any of the following reasons:

- A change in noncitizen USCIS status. To add the noncitizen to the case, the budgetary unit must report and verify the noncitizen's change in status. (See [Declaration of Citizenship Status](#) and [Verification of Noncitizen Status](#))
- The noncitizen may become a citizen. (See [Verification of U.S. Citizenship Status](#))
- The nonqualified noncitizen may now have 40 qualifying quarters. (See [Accumulating 40 Quarters](#) and [Approval Pending 40 Quarters Verification](#))

For procedures to add participants to a budgetary unit, see [Adding Participants](#).

Verify noncitizen status at the interview or prior to approval. Complete this through the [Verification Information System](#) (VIS). VIS does not apply to applicants with newly acquired U.S. citizenship.