07 SNAP Career Advancement Network (CAN) Program

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(01/01/21 – 12/31/21) The purpose of the Supplement Nutrition Assistance Employment and Training (SNAP E&T) services is to help NA participants gain:

- Skills and find work.
- Self-sufficiency to move forward.
- Independence and reduce dependence on public supportive services

In Arizona, SNAP E&T services are made available through third-party partners referred to as SNAP Career Advancement Network (CAN) Providers, or the SNAP CAN Program.

SNAP E&T Program services are administered through the SNAP CAN Program within the Division of Employment and Rehabilitation Services (DERS), Workforce Development Administration (WDA).

The SNAP CAN Program is a community-based employment and training partnership. The Division of Employment and Rehabilitation Services (DERS) administers the SNAP CAN Program.

The SNAP CAN Program is a voluntary program for NA participants and includes the following employment and training services:

- Supervised job search
- Job readiness
- Work Experience
- Supportive services to enable individuals to achieve the program's objective.

FAA Workers must screen each NA participant for <u>NA work requirement</u> exemptions when any of the following occurs:

- New application
- Renewal application
- Change report

When a participant meets one of the NA work requirement exemptions, key the <u>exemption code</u> in the PAR/EXM field on WORW.

For non-exempt participants key the RR referral code in the PAR/EXM field

on WORW. Then AZTECS sends a referral file to the SNAP E&T services.

All eligible exempt or non-exempt NA participants may choose to participate voluntarily in the SNAP CAN program. At the interview, ask the participant who in the budgetary unit would like to voluntarily participate in the SNAP CAN program.

Provide the responsible budgetary unit member with <u>E&T services contact</u> information during the interview.

For all eligible exempt or non-exempt NA participants, who want to voluntary participate, key the Y indicator in the VOL field on WORW.

Inform the participant of the following:

- They may receive outreach material for job fairs, and employment resources from SNAP E&T services
- SNAP CAN Providers can be contacted directly by the participant to received E&T services (See <u>E&T services website</u>)
- SNAP E&T services <u>contact information</u>
- NOTE For AZTECS, to complete the referral for exempt participants, the Y indicator must be keyed in the VOL field on WORW.

The SNAP CAN Program uses a reverse referral process which includes the following:

- NA participants may contact a SNAP CAN Provider directly for E&T services.
- NA participants can participate with various SNAP CAN Providers.
- All NA participants who contact a SNAP CAN Provider receive a comprehensive intake assessment to ensure the E&T component fits the participant's needs.
- NA participants receive ongoing case management from the SNAP CAN Providers.

When a change in circumstance is reported, and a participant's work exemption status changes see <u>Registered and Referred</u>.

Participants who meet either of the following cannot participate in the SNAP CAN Program:

- <u>Disqualified NA participants</u>
- <u>NA nonparticipants</u>

Policy and procedures regarding SNAP E&T services are outlined as follows:

- Informing NA Participants
- FAA and SNAP E&T services Communications
- <u>Registered and Referred</u>