What's Changed on 03/09/2020

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This page relays to staff and the public of changes to the Cash and Nutrition Assistance Policy (CNAP) Manual regarding policy, procedures, and forms. Reminders and general information may also be displayed on this page. Prior What's Changed pages are listed in <u>FAA6.R01</u> of the CNAP Manual.

The above list summarizes the information on this page. Within the CNAP Manual, each item listed above links to screens below.

Change: ABAWD and NA E&T Participation Geographic Exempt Areas

EFFECTIVE DATE: For all NA determinations for the benefit month of 04/2020 and ongoing.

The new rule for determining geographic exemption for the ABAWD work requirements takes effect on April 1, 2020.

The following areas are geographic exempt from the ABAWD work requirement effective April 1, 2020:

- Apache County
- La Paz County
- Navajo County
- Santa Cruz County
- Yuma County
- All American Indian Reservations in Arizona

When an ABAWD participant who resides in a geographic exempt area meets another ABAWD exemption reason, FAA staff must apply the other exemption reason first. The GE Exemption Code must only be applied when the participant resides in a geographic exempt area and does not meet any other ABAWD exemption reason.

For additional information, see <u>FAA2.M10B.04</u> in the Cash and Nutrition Assistance Policy (CNAP) Manual.

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Policy reference(s) revised due to this change:

FAA2.M10B.04 – Geographic Exemption

Prior Policy

Removed exception of YP Indian reservation and counties that are no longer covered by waiver effective 04/01/2020. (Effective for all NA determinations for the benefit month of 04/2020)

FAA5.A08F.02 – <u>NA E&T Participation Exemption</u>-Geographic Area

Prior Policy

Revised the list of geographic area to align with ABAWD geographic exempt areas. (Effective for all NA determinations for the benefit month of 04/2020)

Change: New Terminated Employment AZTECS Screens - DELAYED

The new AZTECS screens, Verify Terminated Employment Income (VETE) and VETE Case Documentation (VECD) sub screen, have been delayed. Notification will be sent at a later date once the screens are complete.

Change: PO Denial Closure Reason Code Update

EFFECTIVE DATE: For denial or closure actions completed on or after 03/09/2020.

The PO Denial Closure Reason Code is not able to be processed on SEPA. Also, FAA staff were not able to send the PI No Longer In Home-Deny/Closure (F205) notice when the PO Denial Closure Reason Code was keyed on FSED.

Reference to keying of the PO Denial Closure Reason Code on SEPA has been removed. When the PO Denial Closure Reason Code is keyed on FSED FAA staff are now able to send the F205 notice.

Policy reference(s) revised due to this change:

FAA6.A03 – Changes in Primary Informant

Prior Policy

Reference to keying the PI OU and keying the PO INELIG REASON Code on SEPA have been removed. (Effective with denial or closure actions completed on or after 03/09/2020)

General Information: Daylight Saving Time (DST) Begins

Daylight Saving Time (DST) began 03/08/2020. Most of Arizona does not observe DST, but offices in the Navajo Nation do participate. Please be aware that the time in the following offices is an hour later than most of Arizona:

- 315C
- 324C
- 332C
- 365C

For additional locations that do not observe DST, see <u>FAA6.Q01D.02</u>.

General Information: The 2020 Standard Mileage Rates Have Changed

Beginning January 1, 2020, the <u>standard mileage rates</u> for the use of a car (van, pickup or panel truck) changed to:

- 57.5 cents per mile for business miles driven, down from 58 cents in 2019.
- 17 cents per mile driven for medical or moving purposes, down from 20 cents in 2019.

General Information: Forms Update

Changes to Forms – 02/29/2020 through 03/06/2020

As a reminder, it is important not to save documents on your desktop or a folder. It is better to use the form you need directly from the <u>Document Center</u>. Forms are frequently updated and sometimes the current form must be used for programming purposes.

Revised forms:

- AZSNAP Application (FAA-1740A)
- AZSNAP Application (FAA-1740A-S)
- Authority to Release Information (FAA-1765A-S) Form
- Verbal OP Compromise Appeal Request (FAA-1767A) Form
- Overpayment Compromise Request Form (FAA-1768A) Form
- Overpayment Compromise Request Form (FAA-1768A-S) Form
- Documentation of Verbal Consent to Request an Overpayment Compromise (FAA-1769) Form

Newly created forms:

No forms were created during the specified period

Revised Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

• Language Notification Flyer (DBME Offices) (Lobby) (FAA-1208)